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Allies Prepare for Push On Germany; Corregidor Taken

WASHINGTON.—Reports from both the Western and Russian fronts in Europe indicate that preparations are being made for coordinated drives against the Germans in the near future.

In the South Pacific General MacArthur continued to fulfill his "I'll be back" promise as his troops captured Bataan and Corregidor.

In the Central Pacific 20,000

American Marines are occupying Iwo Jima, an island in the Volcano group, half-way between Saipan and Tokyo. They landed Monday after heavy bombardment by the Navy and from the air.

Along the Western front Siegfried line defenses are caving in point by point as the Yanks slug steadily away. The German forces are apparently weakened by withdrawals to bolster Berlin defenses.

Varied Attitudes

A new but significant factor cropped up when Germans surrendered in large units to the hard-driving 3d Army. Yet at other points along the Third's front the Nazis fought savagely. It was a contrast of quitting strong positions without resistance while holding bitterly to less well-defended points.

The 7th Army pounded its way into the Saar basin, near Saarbrücken. Flood waters along the Ruhr have hampered and slowed the 9th Army.

Canadian and British fought their way through the Siegfried stronghold of Goch, advancing to the Rhine. They have been held up by desperate counterattacks at Calcar.

In keeping with the recently

adopted principle of bombing civilians in an effort to slow German transportation Allied bombers have been pouring it on the cities behind the Siegfried line. Frankfurt and Giessen have taken a bad beating. Thousands of bombs have disrupted defense movements.

The Russian armies have scored major and important gains in East (See "PREPARE PUSH," Page 6)

Nazi Civilians Can Expect No Sympathy

HEADQUARTERS, SEVENTH ARMY, France.—Conditions to be imposed under military government in Germany, following the defeat of the Nazis, were outlined by Lt. Col. Joseph L. Canby, of Wynnewood, Pa., G-5 officer of the Seventh Army.

"We will have no interest in the people of Germany as a nation," Colonel Canby declared. "We will make no effort to restore German industry and no food will be brought into the country until German sup-

plies sink below the level at which a race can exist. Only if civilian shortages menace our position will Allied authorities step in to give help."

Outlining Allied Military Government regulations which will become effective with the entrance of the Allies into the Reich, Colonel Canby said:

"The penalties for violations of these regulations will be harsh enough to impress the Germans that the Allies mean business. The chief difference between our military government in Sicily and Italy and that planned for the Reich will be the absolute lack of sympathetic interest in the civilian population of Germans. In Italy, our whole effort was to be helpful, but we shall (See "NO SYMPATHY," Page 6)

Army Casualties to February 14 Totaled 711,497

WASHINGTON.—Secretary of War Stimson announced Thursday that U. S. Army casualties on all fronts compiled to Feb. 14 were 711,497. The list included:

Dead—138,723.
Wounded—420,465.
Prisoners—60,086.
Missing—92,223.

Announcements Thursday said Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard casualties now total 89,665, bringing the grand total for all services to 801,162, an increase of 18,982 over last week's total.

Supply Needs Are Upped by Battle Tempo

WASHINGTON.—The increased intensity of the war in Europe and the Far East during January made it necessary for the War Department to raise its 1945 procurement schedules \$1,600,000,000 over the schedules prepared only a month ago, the War Department announced.

The revised schedules total \$37,800,000,000 and represent an increase of 18.9 per cent, or \$6,100,000,000, over 1944 delivery for the Army.

"All of the increases for 1945 are being made to make sure that our fighting men will defeat the enemy with the minimum cost in American blood," said Under Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson. "Meeting the Army's schedules will place a heavy load on American labor and American industry."

Not only will American ground troops require more ammunition, heavy artillery, tanks, trucks and other items, but the Air Forces will require an increase in the over-all output of planes and equipment, the War Department pointed out.

Highest priority has been given to the production of a new secret fighter, with the B-29 Superfortress, heavy bombers, fighters and certain transport types ranking just behind in urgency.

Army Now Paying Allowances to 5 Million Families

WASHINGTON.—The five million family allowance for the family of an Army man has been approved for payment by the War Department Office of Dependency Benefits, the War Department announced Wednesday.

Family allowance No. 5,000,000 is for Mrs. Evelyn Martha Kelley and her two daughters, Ann Marie, age 4, and Jeanne Frances, age 2, of Nantasket, Mass., the family of Pvt. Robert Colman Kelley. The monthly payments will be in the amount of \$100.

Mrs. Kelley's account is now one of the 7,234,527 active accounts on the books of the ODB. These include 3,853,718 family allowances and 3,380,809 Class E allotments-of-pay.

Japs Pay Heavy Toll On Luzon

ADVANCED HEADQUARTERS, Luzon.—Enemy casualties during the first six weeks of the fighting on Luzon total 92,000.

Our casualties were listed as 2676 killed, 245 missing and 10,003 wounded, a total of 12,929.

Save Unemployment Funds, Vets Advised

WASHINGTON.—Veterans are being urged not to apply for unemployment compensation unless it is absolutely necessary, Brig. Gen. Frank T. Hines told members of the VFW and Congress, because the allowances are "like one-way bank accounts—the money drawn out will not be replaced."

Speaking at the bi-annual dinner of the VFW, General Hines pointed out that during the week of Feb. 3 25,693 veterans were paid a total of \$602,025. Using this money when jobs are plentiful is a waste of a "bank account," which should be saved for periods of emergency, he said.

General Hines reminded all veterans that benefits received under the GI Bill of Rights shall be charged against any future adjusted compensation which may be pro-

vided for veterans of the present war.

Reviewing the facilities and benefits available to veterans of this war, General Hines pointed out the government has been very generous. On December 31, 1944, 350,062 veterans of World War II were receiving service-connected disability compensation as compared with 334,893 from World War I.

In reviewing the GI Bill of Rights General Hines stated that 12,864 veterans are taking training or refresher courses under the educational provisions and that up to Feb. 17, 884 loans had been made—880 for homes, one for a farm and three for businesses.

Other speakers at the banquet included Undersecretary of War Patterson and VFW Commander-in-Chief Brunner.



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BAZOOKA EXPERTS are these American Kachin Rangers who make effective use of the weapon against Jap trucks and cars on road-block operations behind enemy lines. Rangers are equipped with all latest U. S. weapons and the Nips have found them tough foes.

Draft Out In 'Work-or-Jail'

WASHINGTON.—The May-Bailey "Work-or-Jail" Bill has been sidetracked by the Senate Military Affairs Committee, which voted, 12 to 6, to consider a substitute measure.

The substitute bill would continue the War Manpower Commission programs, supplemented by statutory controls, and keep all "labor draft" aspects out of worker mobilization and placement.

The committee action was taken after it had received a message from President Roosevelt asking for the enactment of the May bill. Committee comment indicated that the message received little consideration.

Lacks Service Aspect

The new substitute would apply to men and women of all ages. Despite this over-all application, it was argued by Senator O'Mahoney that the national service aspect would be kept from the program.

Built on the theory that the great

mass of people want to fight this war the new bill seeks to set up controls at local and regional levels.

It is designed to bring "the man and the job" together, reduce wasteful labor turnover and channel manpower into the most essential industries.

Bill Highly Controversial

The fight over the May bill has led to many charges and countercharges, investigations and special hearings.

Army, Navy and administration officials have led the fight for the bill. Business and labor groups have testified against the legislation, as well as a number of other organizations.

The delay in acting on the bill led Secretary of War Stimson to denounce the Senate and call the absence of legislation to keep men at their wartime jobs a "failure of American democracy."

In a strong speech Secretary Stimson asserted that he had "reached a crisis in this war" and that "we dare not delay longer" in providing the legislation to give our fighting men the full support of "our strength and power."

Warns Will Prolong War

Delay, he warned, meant prolonging the war and waste of American lives.

He pointed out that the United States alone among the Allies had no service law and that Britain and Russia had been working under (See "WORK OR JAIL," Page 6)

Nazis Groggy, Monty Calls for KO Blow

HEADQUARTERS, 21ST ARMY GROUP.—Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery used prizefight language in calling on his troops to finish the Krauts.

"We now have come to the last and final round, and we want and will go for the knockout blow," said Monty.

"The last round may be long and difficult, and the fighting hard, but we now fight on German soil. We have got our opponent where we want him, and he is going to receive the knockout blow—a somewhat unusual one, delivered from more than one direction.

"Into the ring, then, let us go, and do not let us relax until the knockout blow has been delivered. "Good luck to you all—and God bless you."

Curfew Ordered On "Night Life"

WASHINGTON.—The midnight curfew, ordered by War Mobilization Director Byrnes as a fuel-saving measure, goes into effect next Monday.

The closing order is nation-wide and affects night clubs, theaters and liquor-selling taverns.

Other factors than fuel are reported unofficially as having led to the curfew, including war job absenteeism and alleged criticism by servicemen of high living by civilians.

240,000 Men Under 30 May be Deferred

WASHINGTON.—A minimum of 240,000 men under 30 who hold key jobs in war industries stand to be deferred from the draft.

The Selective Service allows the deferment of about 30 per cent of all men under 30 who were classified 2-A or 2-B as of Jan. 1 under the new program.

Copies of Army Times are made available to all Army hospitals through the American Red Cross.



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CAPTURED GERMAN GUNS and ammunition are being carried by three Yank soldiers to a pit near Gurzenich, Germany, where they'll test the fire and familiarize themselves with enemy weapons. The jolly trio (left to right)—Pfc. Paul L. Kumler, Duncannon, Pa.; Lawrence A. Totsky, Mayfield, Pa., and Stuart L. Rouse, Kinston, N. C.

24,000 Sent Home from CPBC in Rotation Plan

CENTRAL PACIFIC BASE COMMAND.—Rotation is proceeding ac-

cording to plan.

Troops in Reich Fatten on Chicks of German Farms

WITH CANADIAN AND BRITISH TROOPS IN GERMANY.—There's really a "chicken for every pot" of the Allied soldiers fighting across the countryside in Field Marshal Montgomery's northern offensive between the Rhine and Maas rivers.

The German farmers live well, and there is an abundance of food-stuffs on this side of the border as compared to an absolute lack of it in Holland.

The enemy was pushed back so fast it had no time to take with it or destroy the livestock and canned food supplies. Much of it gives evidence of having been taken from occupied peoples. Liquor also is not uncommon.

The civilians smile and protest: they are innocent of Nazism. All these years, some say, they have been waiting for liberation. But they have Nazi flags and literature hastily tucked away all over the place.

That is the verdict you will get if you ask the opinion of the personnel who operate the Casual Depot as to how the present system of returning warriors to the mainland from all parts of the Pacific is functioning.

Figures? Well, to date more than 24,000 servicemen have been sent home on rotation or furlough under the plan adopted by Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson, Jr., for Army Forces in Pacific Ocean Areas. Of this total, more than 15,000 have been shipped to the mainland from the CPBC Casual Depot on Oahu.

Indeed, the number of officers and men passing through the depot en route to the continental United States has attained such an impressive size that the American Red Cross has given special attention to care for soldiers being processed there for their return to their homes.

As a result, where there were hardly sufficient facilities to quarter and feed these men in October, you now will find a recreation hall with a game room, a lounge and a library, all sponsored by the Red Cross. Supervising the recreation hall are six Red Cross girls under the direction of Miss Bernice Crumpacker, of Durham, N. C.

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'Work-or-Fight' Inductees Will Get Four Weeks' Basic Training

WASHINGTON.—Men who are not qualified for general military service, but who have left their jobs in essential industry and consequently have been inducted under the "work-or-fight" order issued by Hon. James F. Byrnes, Director of War Mobilization and Reconversion, will receive four weeks' basic training before assignment or release to inactive duty, the War Department says.

The first sizeable group of these trainees arrived at Camp Ellis, Ill., Army Service Forces Training Center this week. All "work-or-fight" inductees who fail to meet the Army's minimum physical standards will be trained at this camp. Inductees qualified for general military service will be processed, trained and assigned in accordance with usual practice.

Assignment of the Camp Ellis trainees after they have completed their basic training is partially dependent upon their own wishes. Those who possess skills badly needed in essential industry, and who volunteer to return to essential industry, may revert to an inactive status in the Enlisted Reserve Corps, from which they may be called back to active duty if necessary.

Others who do not volunteer for essential industry work but who possess needed skills may be assigned to work—as uniformed soldiers—in government-owned plants needing those skills. The remainder, who neither possess technical skills in immediate demand nor have volunteered to return to industry, will be assigned to various Army operating installations.

The men have been inducted under a special quota allotted to each Selective Service Board to cover their cases, after they have left jobs in essential industry or changed jobs without their board's permission. The quota is established only for those under 38 who

possess normally disqualifying defects; others are inducted under regular Selective Service quotas. Physical disqualification is not considered a cause for rejection by the induction stations unless it is obvious that the disqualification will be aggravated or complicated by military service. The special quotas do not have to be filled, the War Department pointed out.

After examination, the men are permitted the normal 21-day furlough before reporting for induction. They are then sent to recep-

tion stations, where they receive uniforms and necessary individual equipment.

The trainees will receive a basic training course designed to fit in with their physical limitations. It is planned to give them a thorough indoctrination in military courtesy and discipline, to provide instruction necessary to all soldiers, and to develop soldierly qualities. Training courses include Adjustment and Health, The School of the Soldier, Rifle Marksmanship, Offensive and Defensive Combat and various tests and inspections.

Bravery Awards By King George to Yank Tankers

WITH THE 5TH ARMY, Italy.—King George VI recently approved award of British decorations for bravery to four American tankmen fighting on the 5th Army front in Italy.

Capt. Herman R. Crowder, Yazoo, Miss.; 1st Lt. Chester M. Wright, San Antonio, Tex., and 1st Lt. John A. Crews, Chicago, are to receive the Military Cross for bravery in operations. The Military Medal, awarded to other ranks for the same qualifications that merit award of the Military Cross to an officer, is to go to S/Sgt. Laurence Custer, who is on temporary duty with the armored force detachment at Mediterranean Theater headquarters.

All four men are members of the same tank battalion.

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Sacrifices Life to Save EM, Officer Awarded Honor Medal

ROME.—For his heroic act in giving his parachute harness to a wounded tailgunner and then going to his death in a crippled plane, Lt. David R. Kingsley, of Portland, Ore., a 15th Air Force bombardier, has been awarded the Medal of Honor posthumously.

It was during an attack by enemy fighters over the Ploesti oil fields of Romania last June 23 that Lieutenant Kingsley performed his valorous deed, disclosed when survivors returned months later from a Bulgar prison camp.

During the attack, Sgt. Michael J. Sullivan, of Chicago, a tailgunner, was injured and his parachute harness was ripped. Gunners carried him to the radio compartment, where Lieutenant Kingsley, who was on his 14th mission, began administering first aid.

The Fortress had been damaged both by fire and antiaircraft fire and developed a terrific vibration. The pilot ordered the crew to bail out.

The citation recounted: "After everyone else had cleared the ship," Sullivan said later, "Lieutenant Kingsley picked up my parachute harness and discovered it had been ripped by cannon fire. He did not hesitate a minute but took off his and placed it on me. 'Carrying me in his arms, Lieutenant Kingsley struggled to get me through the door into the bomb bay. He told me to be sure to pull the rip cord after I had cleared the ship. 'I did, and as I was floating

down I saw the Fort fall off and go into a spin. It crashed, exploded and burned. The last time I saw Lieutenant Kingsley he was standing on the catwalk over the open bomb bay doors.

"Bulgar soldiers later showed us a charred billfold with a picture of Lieutenant Kingsley and cards belonging to him. They said they had taken them from a body in the wreckage."

American PWs Suffer as Germany Breaks Down

NEW YORK.—That American prisoners of war in Germany, most of whom were held in the Danzig area, are being marched deeper into the Reich with the Allied advances on the Western and Eastern fronts, was asserted by Richard F. Allen, vice chairman of the American Red Cross in charge of insular and foreign relations this week.

"The men are being marched 12½ miles a day, as provided in the Geneva Convention," Mr. Allen

said, "but they have not been provided with the proper clothing for that marching in weather of 30 degrees below zero."

He suggested that American prisoners were probably being moved toward Southern Germany as the Russian armies pressed into the German homeland from the east and went on to note that "the further Germany breaks down, the worse our service to prisoners of war is likely to become."

Lend-Lease to Allies Passes 35 Billions

WASHINGTON.—Lend-lease aid to the amount of \$35,382,000,000 has been delivered to the Allies, Leo Crowley, foreign economic administrator, told Congress this week, giving the eighteenth report on lend-lease operations up to December 31. In his report, Mr. Crowley declared that reports that lend-lease shipments were causing civilian shortages in this country were "greatly overstated in numerous false rumors."

"Lend-lease supplies are allocated to our Allies only after careful consideration of the needs of our own armed forces and civilian population," the report said, going on to assert that "despite the widely publicized food shortages and badly de-

pleted stocks in food markets, the average American civilian had more to eat during the past year than before the war."

"Shortages of civilian supplies in this country," the report explained, "have been largely due to three factors—actual war-induced shortages of materials, production facilities or manpower; the requirements of our armed forces, and a domestic civilian demand in excess of normal pre-war supply induced by greatly increased consumer incomes."

Freed Yanks Now Battle for Reds

MOSCOW.—Capt. Ernest Gruenberg, of New York, is authority for the statement that some Yank soldiers who escaped from Nazi prison camps during the advance of the Red army through Poland now are fighting alongside the Russians inside Germany.

"Since they know no Russian, they're using a 'grunt and point system' of sign language, but they need no instructions in use of borrowed Russian weapons," said Captain Gruenberg.

Did Not Seek Old Job Within 40 Days; Vet Loses in Court

NEWARK, N. J.—A. J. Crowhurst & Sons, Belleville tannery, are not compelled to rehire discharged veteran Joseph Grasso, 26, Newark, in the leather tacker job he held prior to entering service.


This was the finding of Federal Judge Guy L. Fike, who ruled that Grasso did not request re-employment within the 40-day period after his discharge, and that an application for indefinite leave which Grasso made did not constitute a legal demand for re-employment.

Grasso was inducted in June, 1943, discharged five months later

because of flat feet, which he said he had had all his life. After his discharge, a company physician said Grasso could not perform his duties as a tacker because of the flat feet. Grasso contended his feet were no flatter than they were when he discharged his duties satisfactorily previous to induction.

Freed in Philippines

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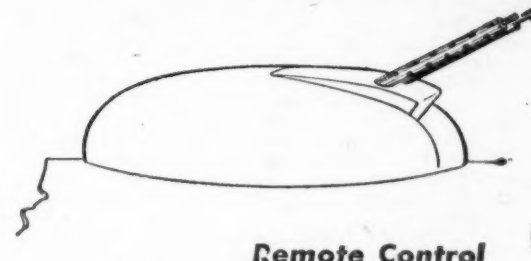
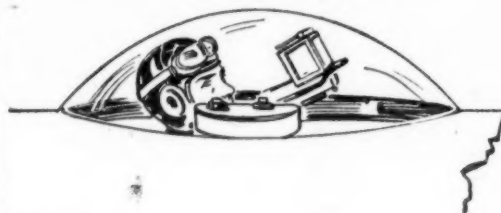
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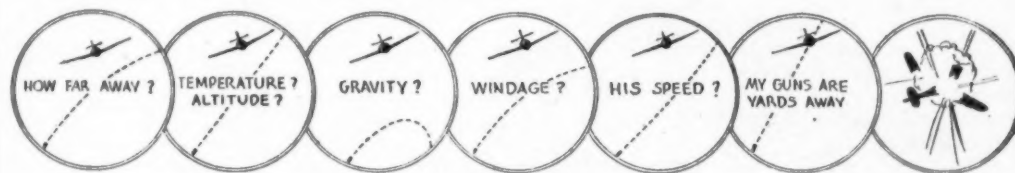
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The Secretary Talked Facts!

Quiet-spoken, mild-mannered Secretary of War Stimson showed the American public this week that he can speak the hard, factual language of a soldier when he lashed out at the Senate for its delay in taking action on the May-Bailey bill.

The Secretary's outspoken criticism was evidently effective. The Senate Military Affairs Committee tossed out the May bill but accepted a substitute and promised action on the measure in the immediate future.

It was about time. As Secretary Stimson pointed out, we are at the crucial moment in the war. The complete energy of this nation must be directed toward supplying the needs of the millions of young men in uniform who are facing unbelievable hardships from winter weather and enemy fire.

It was a disgusted and heart-sick Secretary who spoke. It is his responsibility to order the young men of this nation into combat zones. It is his responsibility to see that they are fully supplied with the implements of war. The uniformed millions have not disappointed him. He does not want to disappoint them.

Secretary Stimson has little sympathy with those who have flitted from war job to war job, creating in some war plants a yearly 90 percent turn-over in personnel. He has even less sympathy for the "special and trivial interests who have stifled the voice of national interest and suffocated the bill."

A few Senators indignantly charged that the Secretary had indicted the record of American labor. He did nothing of the sort. He was actually indicting the failure of Congress to create an orderly control of wartime employment under which labor and management can make a maximum contribution to the success of the troops in the field.

Criticising Is Always Easy!

The debate over the "work-or-jail" bill has focused a great deal of attention on the War Department. Army officials have been called to testify at public hearings. Certain Congressmen and other opponents of the bill have gained satisfaction in criticising the department. They have lashed at its "arm-chair commandos," at its miscalculations in estimating needs, at its harboring of draft deferees.

How much of this criticism was made in an effort to take the public eye off the main issue, national service, and how much was made with an eye toward improving War Department efficiency is hard to tell. It is important to note that although a number of accusations and statements were made—there were few facts and statistics given to support the criticisms.

It is even more important to note that no criticism was made of the manner in which the War Department is conducting the war. Victories in the Pacific and European theaters are hard to build up an argument against.

Taking pot shots at an organization as large as the War Department is comparatively simple. Few Army officials will deny that manpower has and is being wasted by the War Department. Even fewer will deny that there have been many miscalculations as to the needs of the Army in a rapidly changing war. There are few acquainted with the War Department who couldn't find at least one gripe each day. But there are even fewer individuals who could solve the easily noted problems so the solution would be workable in Italy, Burma, Bataan and the Pentagon Building.

For an Army that has grown from a handful of men to gigantic proportions in a few years the number of squeaks and rattles are very few. If the War Department had been allowed to grow in the easy stages of a great corporation there would be even less. It might be well, therefore, that a few of the critics take time to straighten out their older, more-established organizations before lashing out at a comparative youngster.

Monty Speaks in Ring Language!

Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery talked the language of a ringsider when he told his command, "We now have come to the last and final round, and we want and will go for the knockout blow."

But fight-wise Monty knows that many a fighter, well on the way to a knockout, has rallied and given his opponent a lacing before taking the count. So he added: "We know our enemy well; we must expect him to fight hard to stave off defeat, possibly in the vain hope that we may crack before he does."



At Your Service

Q. Is it possible for an Army officer to be "dismissed" (not honorably discharged) from the service by sentence of a general court-martial?

A. Yes.

Q. A man enlisted in the U. S. Army on Aug. 30, 1933; served for a period of three years and was discharged on Aug. 29, 1936; reenlisted on Aug. 30, 1937, by reason of purchase; then on Dec. 10, 1938, he enlisted with the Regular Army Reserve, being paid \$24 per year until Feb. 15, 1941, or a period of 26 months as a paid reservist. On Feb. 15, 1941, he was called back to camp as an instructor but was discharged on March 7, 1941, on grounds of dependency. Would this man be entitled to wear two service stripes if he is recalled again?

A. The War Department says that on the basis of this statement of service, the man only completed one enlistment and is entitled to only one service stripe.

Q. Is it possible for an officer now in the Army of the United States to be appointed to West Point? If he has such an appointment, is it open indefinitely or only for a certain number of years?

A. Yes, a man serving as an officer who holds an appointment to West Point may be released to enter West Point and thus, if he graduates, be commissioned in the U. S. (Regular) Army. His appointment papers should indicate the date within which they are good.

Q. Enlisted men in the first three grades who receive a monetary allowance in lieu of quarters receive \$1.25 per day in the States but in the Southwest Pacific Area they receive \$1.55 per day. What regulation, circular or bulletin number and what date authorizes the 30 cents a day increase for only the Southwest Pacific?

A. The War Department says that the allowance is within the discretion of the commander in chief of the Southwest Pacific Area and he fixes the amount in orders issued by him from time to time.

Q. When a man in the A. A. F. bears the serial number beginning with the letter "T" what does the "T" stand for?

A. "T" stands for Flight Officer.

Q. What does SOLOC in front of an APO number mean?

A. Southern Line of Communications.

Q. Are there any Medical units in the Paratroops—doctors who fly in with paratroops? Do such doctors volunteer for such service? Do they receive flight pay? How much special paratroop training is given to

an Information Service on GI matters of all kinds.

Answers will be furnished through this column to questions on allotments, compensation claims, demobilization, hospitalization, vocational training, reemployment, educational rights, insurance, pensions, loans, civil service preference rights, income tax deferrals, veterans' organizations, legislation—anything pertaining to the needs and welfare, rights and privileges of servicemen and women, veterans and their dependents.

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such medical officers? If such officers volunteer and are rejected for paratroop work, are they then assigned to ordinary Medical Corps work?

A. The paratroops have their own medical units who fly and jump with them. Like the paratroops, these medical officers are under the Army Ground Forces. Medical officers volunteer for this service after they have been commissioned—volunteers are not taken direct from civilian life. They do not receive flight pay, but do receive the jumping pay (\$100 a month). They are required to make the same number of jumps as paratroop officers, and take the same course of five to six weeks' school instruction, receiving additional training with their unit after graduation. If volunteers are rejected for paratroop work, they revert to their former assignment in the Medical Corps or are given a new Medical Corps assignment.

Q. If a boy is sworn into the Army but deferred for four months, so he can finish high school, is he eligible during that time for medical treatment and hospitalization by the Army?

A. Since he is not on active duty, he is not entitled to medical treatment and hospitalization.

Q. What are the duties of a "Station Complement Squadron," as attached to an Air Force Unit now serving overseas?

A. "Housekeeping" duties, such as station maintenance, messing, and other duties that keep the station running as a smoothly operating unit while the combat squadrons are doing the fighting.

Q. I have been overseas and am now stationed in the States. I would like to keep wearing my shoulder insignia of my former unit in conjunction with insignia of my present assignment. Can I do this?

A. Permission to continue to wear shoulder insignia of a former unit by a man now stationed in the States may be given by the man's commanding officer; it is a matter wholly within his discretion. Take it up with him.

Letters

Gentlemen:

In one of your letters in ARMY TIMES Feb. 10, there seems to be a misunderstanding about an "Arkansas Razorback" and an "Arkansas U." The writer may refer to the Razorbacks as poor skinny hogs that can drink milk from a gallon jug, but, as a matter of fact, the "Razorbacks" are a ball team. Our hogs aren't quite that bad.

Pfc. Gerald G. Keenen,
Camp Mackall, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Am enclosing clipping from the Saturday Evening Post captioned: "Manpower, Compulsion, Optimism," telling of difficulties encountered by WMC in lining up workers for the Gopher Ordnance Works at Rosemount, Minn. I suggest a couple of thousand of us 38-year-old men go to work for the Gopher Ordnance Works. We would be worth a lot more there than in the Army. Right?

Sgt. Stillman A. Nelson,
Camp Swift, Tex.

Gentlemen:

Interested as to ideas for a proposed organization for returning veterans of the present war, I am of the opinion that no organization of men of former wars now in existence can do us justice. Our problems differ and we alone must solve them.

As a large majority of those now serving are enlisted personnel, I favor limiting membership in such organization to enlisted men and women, with the officers having their own separate organization and neither being connected in any way. I believe that by doing this, a better understanding would be maintained within the membership.

Pfc. William R. Loeffler,
Somewhere in the Dutch East Indies

Gentlemen:

Have just received and read ARMY TIMES of Dec. 9. In "Histories of Divisions," we noted where the 29th Division took St. Lo. Now we think the 29th is tops as a division. However, the 134th Infantry of the 35th Division relieved the 115th Infantry of the 29th Division on the outskirts of St. Lo and we went on to take St. Lo. We can verify this statement by hundreds of our buddies. Also, we were there and it was artillery that supported the 134th and we moved through under sniper fire. We will appreciate this being straightened out.

S/Sgt. L. C. Lock,
Belgium

Gentlemen:

ARMY TIMES "Sports Chat" for Nov. 11 carried an item from Holabird Signal Depot referring to T/4 William Bray as "champion softball pitcher of Southern California" and stating that since joining the Army in 1943 he had faced 27 teams and suffered but one defeat. The 158th QM Bakery Co. softball team, 1944 champions at Camp Pickett, Va., defeated the Signal Corps team in two out of three championship games. Bray, on the mound in all three games, won the first but Pickett took the next two. This must make Bray an ex-champ and Joe Levin the champ as he pitched all three games and the two victories.

1st Lt. M. B. Collins
Dutch New Guinea

Gentlemen:

In ARMY TIMES Feb. 17 was the statement that "The Spearhead," 2nd Infantry Division newspaper, was conceived in England.

The latter part of 1940 the 2nd Infantry Division solicited its members for a name for a newspaper. An enlisted man won the prize for submitting the name "The Spearhead." The first issue came out January, 1941, at the division's peace-time home, Fort Sam Houston, Tex. It was a weekly and had a large spear across the front page.

T/Sgt. Joe E. Rodriguez,
Former Member 2d
Infantry Division,
Camp Lee, Va.

Tribute to Yank Infantrymen

The following appreciation of the American infantryman was written in a letter by Maj. Flake L. McHaney, of Kennett, Mo., a field artillery officer of the 91st Division, after watching an infantry battalion file past his command post to the front in northern Italy.

"A mind burns on a subject until it cannot remain silent longer. In every man's life there is some injustice he feels and sometime he must voice that feeling—so it is with me.

"Tonight I watched the American doughboy moving up a dirty mud trail in the heart of a mountainous section of Italy. These doughboys have been in reserve and are now going up to replace another battalion.

"It has been raining for many days. They have not been dry, not only their feet, but their entire bodies, during all of this time. The rain is not a warm tropical rain but that bastard cold type that is too warm to snow, which would bring comfort to aching bodies, but cold enough to keep the body numb.

"I watch their faces as they pass. One catches my attention. He is a tall, thin man about 40—probably a father participating in a youth's game. He is walking in the hard rain with his weapons, ammunition, grenades, entrenching tool. He has one blanket rolled into a shelter-half. His feet are wet and have been wet for days; there is no pos-

sible way to keep them dry. Even though he has been in 'rest' the expression on his face is one of a tired, fatigued, miserable man. Now he is going back into battle to relieve tired troops.

"His life for the next few days will not be so glamorous. He will be shot at with everything from a pistol to a 280-mm. artillery piece. He will rush into foxholes in which everything but his head will be under water and sometimes his head will go under too—but he will gladly seek the foxhole because the water makes no difference—he cannot be wetter than he is now. At night, while he is not on the outpost line, he will unroll his one blanket, dip the water out of a foxhole and prop his shelter-half above him to keep the water out, or part of it.

"He will get up early in the morning before daylight, still wet, colder than before and will have a nice cold 'C' or 'K' ration; however to him it will be better than fried eggs are to some of the other arms this same morning.

"Upon finishing his breakfast, he will prepare himself to 'jump off' at the first crack of dawn. How-

ever, the term 'jump off' is a little strenuous for his condition and 'crawl out' would be more appropriate. As soon as daylight comes the same shells which kept him awake all night begin to fall in greater quantities, mortars crack all around him and 'rat' or 'burp' guns (a German automatic weapon) announce their nearness. He will again endure a million deaths.

"There are times when all infantrymen become mad, when something is done by the enemy which to them appears to be unfair or not humane. At that time, they become cold, relentless killers but do not remain so for long. I believe that if the American soldier should remain mad he would be the most ruthless killer in the world.

"The American people will never know what the doughboy experiences regardless of the number of Ernie Pyles because the average American has not experienced these things. If there were enough doughboys in the world, there would never be another war.

"The infantry always has been and always will be the 'Queen of Battles'—the unsung heroes of the war."

Movies, Organ Music Miracles to Natives in New Caledonia

WASHINGTON. — A village of natives in New Caledonia recently crowded into their bare-walled chapel to witness what they considered two great miracles: their first motion picture and their first electric organ.

The movie, C. B. DeMille's "King of Kings," was brought to them by Chaplain Lonnie W. Knight, the Army's Island Chaplain, of Carrollton, Miss. The organist, whose music first frightened, then thrilled them, was T/5 Vinson F. Long of Buffalo. Both the film and the organ were part of the chaplain's plan to increase the American serviceman's interest in the native missions and to acquaint the natives with a mode of living unknown to them.

To balance the solemnity of the religious picture, several Disney shorts preceded it. The natives were stunned to see a duck, a mouse and a dog gallivant in a field of brilliant color and music. Then, when they caught the humor of it, their shrieks of laughter

echoed in the barren church and they jibbered excitedly in their native language.

The missionaries who serve them explained the theme of "King of Kings" before the film began. It was an old story to them, one which they had heard many times and, in spite of the English titles, they followed the play attentively.

Says Hero Grand Chap, but She Wed Another

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—Although Capt. Robert V. Ball, an outstanding hero on Luzon, wired his girl he was coming home on leave and she should meet him, the former Lorraine Fulp wasn't on hand when the officer arrived.

Not expecting Captain Ball to return from the fighting front, she had married George Cook on Jan. 23 and had written the officer advising him of the nuptials.

"The captain is a swell fellow," she commented.

Induction of Ninth Son Would Endanger Mother, Says Doctor

LEHIGHTON, Pa.—A physician has signed a statement to the effect that Mrs. Russell McFarland "is quite nervous and her condition will probably grow worse" if her ninth son is inducted into the armed forces.

Dr. J. L. Bond said he had made no recommendation—merely had given the statement.

Rep. Francis W. Walter wrote to the 49-year-old mother that if a physician would certify her health would be jeopardized by drafting of the ninth son, Marcus, that state Selective Service headquarters would have the right to defer.

One son was recently reported missing in France.

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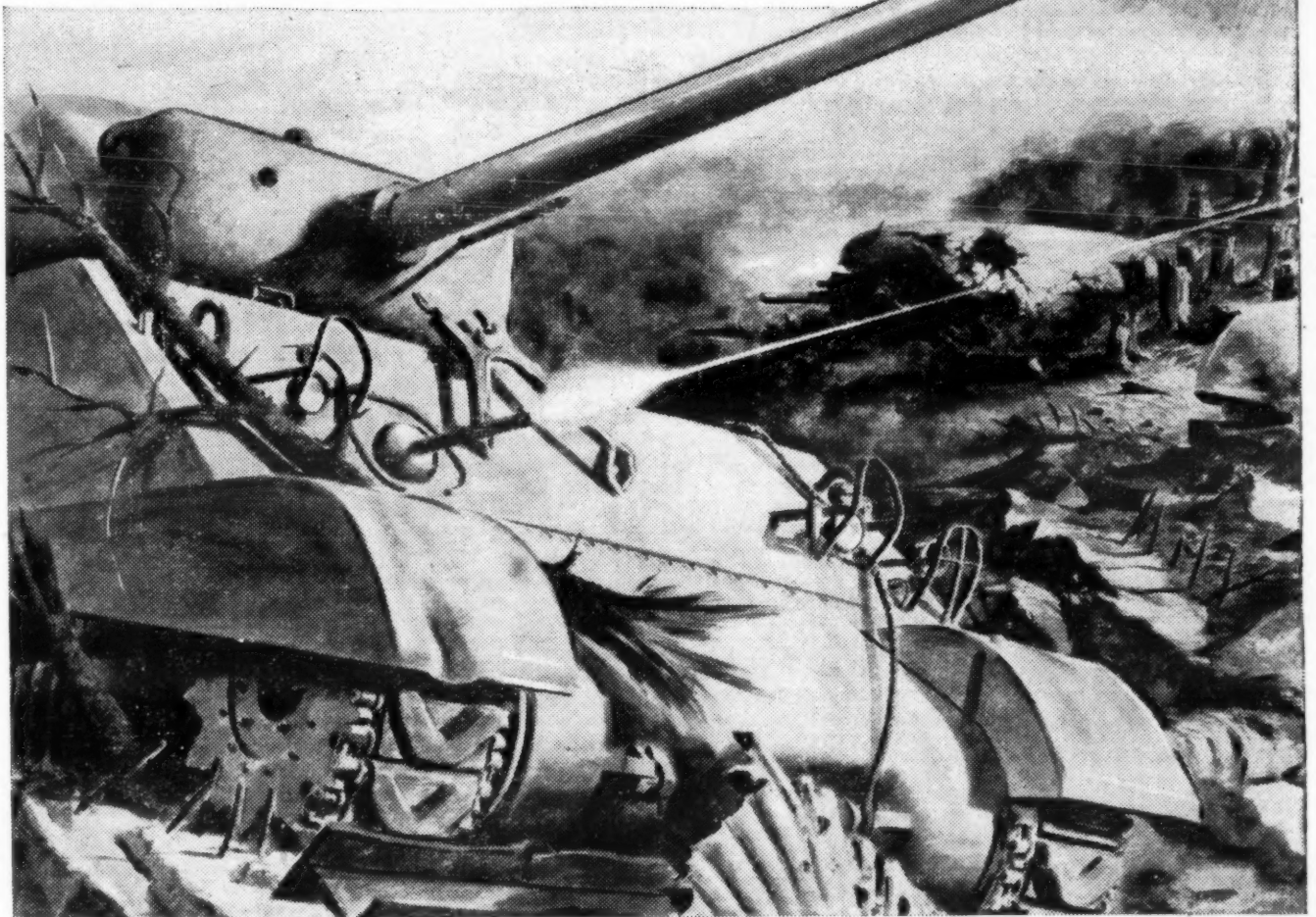


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"BIG THREE" at the Crimean conference—Prime Minister Winston Churchill, President Roosevelt and Premier Joseph Stalin—took a few minutes off from their deliberations to step out on the palace patio in Yalta for this official photo. Standing are Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham, Admiral Ernest King, Air Marshal Portal and Admiral William D. Leahy with other high-ranking Allied officers.

—Signal Corps Photo

VFW Commander Says PWs Treated Too Well

KANSAS CITY.—"Growing resentment over the alleged coddling of German war prisoners in the United States should be studied before more Nazi captives are brought here to relieve the manpower shortage," declared Commander-in-Chief Jean A. Brunner, of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, in a statement at national headquarters here.

The comment followed an announcement by Maj. Gen. Archer L. Lerch, provost marshal general, that several thousand more German prisoners soon may be shipped to this country. General Lerch reported that 305,742 Nazi prisoners already are in United States, plus 2820 Japanese and 50,578 Italian prisoners.

Commander Brunner noted the VFW is receiving many protests against the privileges allowed war prisoners. Overseas veterans who have been assigned to guard duty at prisoner camps here are said to have expressed bewilderment at the kindly treatment given Nazi prisoners. Some of these have been prisoners of the Germans and know the Nazis barely comply with the rules of international warfare as

set out by the Geneva convention.

"If the importation of war prisoners is the only way we can solve our manpower shortage problem, our method of handling these prisoners should conform more closely to the pattern already established by our enemies," said Commander Brunner.

'Work or Jail'

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such laws "since the very beginning of the war."

Both opponents and supporters of the May-Bailey bill agreed that the Secretary's appeal cost the bill some votes because of "unjustified" criticism of the Senate Committee.

Opponents of the bill pointed out that 35 billion dollars in lend-lease had been sent Russia and Britain under our "volunteer" setup. Others charged that the Navy and Army should clean their own houses of wasted manpower before asking for manpower controls.

Charge Fence Straddling
Army officials were also charged with speaking one way in public and another way in private.

Observers believe the May-Bailey bill will be killed on the Senate floor and the substitute bill accepted. Just how the House will react hasn't been determined as yet.

Col. Scott Now in Command at Upton

CAMP UPTON, N. Y.—Col. Raymond E. Scott, of San Antonio, Tex., a veteran of the African and Sicilian campaigns, has assumed command of this Post, relieving Col. Edward A. Coates, Jr., who has been transferred to another assignment.

Colonel Scott, a veteran of over 30 years of service, is well-experienced in convalescent and therapeutic work, which is now the chief function of Camp Upton since it became the home of the Army Service Forces Convalescent Hospital last autumn. The new commanding officer served for nearly a year in Atlantic City as assistant commanding officer of the Thomas M. England General Hospital and director of its Convalescent Facility.

THE WAC needs 8000 women for service in medical units in American hospitals.

Halsey Opposed to Negotiated Peace for Japs

WASHINGTON.—Admiral William F. Halsey, here from the Far Pacific for official conferences, declared himself unalterably opposed to acceptance of peace plans that may be submitted by Japan.

"We've got the little rats licked and should ignore any appeal for a negotiated peace," said the Admiral. "Those monkeys are not deserving of any sympathy and we should wipe 'em out."

While on the subject of Tokyo bombings, Halsey was reminded of pictures of Emperor Hirohito astride a white steed, and Halsey remarked: "I hope our bombers don't kill that white horse. I want to ride it."

Laud Lauer Men for Softening Up Krauts

WITH THE 1ST ARMY.—The 99th Infantry Division, commanded by Maj. Gen. Walter E. Lauer, has been officially commended for its part in beating off and softening the sudden German counter-offensive toward Liege. Withstanding repeated attacks by elements of two Panzer divisions, an SS division and five Volks Grenadier divisions, the 99th blunted the German attack toward Eupen and helped form the hard upper shoulder which resisted throughout the counter-offensive.

General Lauer's relatively inexperienced troops had never been in a large-scale action. But, working in conjunction with portions of the battle-wise 1st and 2d Infantry Divisions, blunted German aims in the first three days of the grand offensive and killed between 4000 and 5000 Germans, destroyed upwards of 60 tanks.

Its tenacity in helping hold the important northern shoulder hemming the Germans caused Maj. Gen. Leonard T. Gerow, V corps commander, to offer his commendation to General Lauer and the 99th Division:

"I wish to express to you and the members of your command my appreciation and commendation for the fine job you did in preventing the enemy from carrying out his plan to break through the V corps sector and push on to the Meuse river," General Gerow said. "Not only did your command assist in effectively frustrating that particular part of the plan, but it also inflicted such heavy losses on the enemy that he was unable to carry out other contemplated missions in other sectors of the Allied front."

Cooks-KPs Aid Battle

The 99th was probing through German defenses when the counter-offensive was sprung. Following heavy artillery fire, the Germans launched massed infantry and armor at the entire front, and masses of enemy swarmed over

many positions. They attacked again and again all along the line, and cooks and KPs took rifles to hold the tide.

Next day came the Panzers. They broke into towns which, a few days before, had been rest areas. Clerks in regimental headquarters exchanged typewriters for guns. S/Sgt. Elmer Keener, of Sanger, Calif., a clerk, fired his rifle so effectively that three tanks stayed buttoned up and two buddies knocked them off with a bazooka.

Four battalions were cut off and surrounded, but somehow they fought through, bringing their wounded. They had no overcoats; some had no field jackets even.

Bullingen marked the first serious resistance to the Germans' penetration. The town was overrun, but it was so costly to the Germans they bounced off and skidded to the south and west to strike again.

Around Elsenborn the 99th and the 2d set up defenses. They beat off three attacks by infantry and tanks in a day. There were successive attacks, and successive days, with heavy artillery fire, tanks and infantry. But the once-inexperienced troops of the 99th held, and finally the Germans withdrew without ever reaching the front line of the shoulder.

Speedy Work at Camp Campbell

CAMP CAMPBELL, Ky.—Camp Campbell wallowed the industrial production line recently by processing 30 four-to-five-ton tractors for use in the construction of an industrial plant in the area.

Cab-over-engine tractors, an expedite, were taken over by the Combined Maintenance Shop, Post Ordnance, for complete overhauling and processing, with the vehicles on the finish line in four days' time, an outstanding production record.

No Sympathy for Nazis

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pursue no such policy in Germany." Colonel Canby emphasized the intention of the Allied Military Government to exterminate the German war machine, including the destruction of the German staff

corps.

"The immediate demobilization of the German armed forces, the dismantling of field fortifications, camps, barracks and depots will take place, along with emasculation of the war industries," he said. "It is the Allies' intention to destroy the German desire for war. Courts will be promptly set up by military authorities and there will be no right of appeal. The German press will be stopped immediately, and all mediums of propaganda will be taken over by the Allies for their immediate use.

"We will use the radio, the movies and other mediums in Germany for our own purposes."

Will Shatter Morale

To hasten the end in Germany, Allied air commanders have decided to adopt deliberate terror bombing of the great German population center. Bomb attacks such as carried out by Allied bombers recently on Berlin, Dresden, Chemnitz and Cottbus will be made ruthlessly with the deliberate purpose of creating more confusion in German traffic and lowering German morale.

The Allied opinion is that bombing of large enemy cities creates an immediate necessity for relief. The relief, in various forms, is moved into the bombed areas by both rail and road. Such operations not only create traffic problems but draws transport away from the battle fronts. Evacuation of the homeless has somewhat the same result.

Reconnaissance has revealed that the most effective way of creating road bottlenecks in key cities is to topple buildings into the streets. Another result of such operations is the tremendous effect on morale of the city's population.

Dime Pot Tops \$7000

CAMP HOOD, Tex.—Late reports swelled to more than \$7000 the camp's contributions to Infantile Paralysis Foundation.

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Prepare for Push

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Prussia and Silesia. Breslau has been isolated and Poznan, after a month's resistance, has fallen.

German resistance continues bitterly at several points despite persistent and apparently authentic reports that enemy forces are being withdrawn in that theatre. The troops are reported en route back to Germany.

On Iwo Jima good progress has been reported, although Lt. Gen. Holland M. Smith, CO of the Marines, says it is "the toughest fight in 168 years." The fanatic Jap resistance has cost the Americans in three days fighting 3500 casualties in enlisted men and 150 officers.

The battle on the tiny island, five miles long and half as wide, has been extremely bitter. Its value as a potential B-29 base cannot be underestimated, however.

Only a small section of Manila is still held by the Japs, who are desperately defending the "walled city." Only mopping up operations remain in clearing up the Bataan peninsula.

Colleges and U.'s Face Crisis and Will Require Financial Aid

WASHINGTON.—A 10-point program has been recommended to Congress by American higher education on the basis that war has brought a financial crisis to colleges and universities and that these institutions will be unable to adequately serve returning veterans or supply the thousands of trained professional and technical men who will be needed in the post-war world.

The recommendations as made by a committee representing higher education and headed by President Cloyd Heck Marvin, of George Washington University, are:

That Selective Service immediately re-establish student deferment for those majoring in studies essential to the national welfare and that Congress write such provisions into national service legislation.

That the War and Navy departments include in their bases for discharge, consideration of the educational plans of students who have completed two or more years of

college work in essential fields who will continue their education.

Want Faculty Deferments

That faculty members teaching in essential fields be deferred to meet the educational needs of veterans and that Congress in framing national service legislation consider teaching in necessary fields as an essential activity.

That priority in release from military or other government positions be given members of faculties of institutions of higher learning whose services are requested by the institutions.

That colleges be aided in obtaining materials which they can use and which are no longer needed by the war effort.

That legislation be enacted to increase the present exemption for gifts to higher educational institutions in the provisions of corporation and individual income tax laws with a view to stimulating such gifts.

That a nonpartisan commission on emergency federal aid to higher education institutions be appointed to receive and approve applications for standby and other service con-

tracts and to negotiate such contracts.

That Congress provide a program of public works grants-in-aid for higher educational institutions for repair and reconstruction or replacement of permanent equipment and repairing or remodeling and construction of buildings on the same bases as for other public works.

Train Research Workers

That a federal research agency be established by Congress and directed to use, on a contractual basis, high educational institutions for developing and conducting of research and the training of research workers.

That a committee representing education committees of both branches of the legislature be designated to study needed legislation.

The higher education study committee pointed out that colleges have been hard hit financially through the loss of student tuition revenue with nearly three-quarters of its men students in the armed forces and that its teaching personnel, has been heavily cut into.

New Handbook Useful for Vets

WASHINGTON.—A new "Veteran's Handbook," compiled by Maj. E. K. Gubin, covers about everything a veteran or his dependents can ask for in the way of information regarding his rehabilitation.

Under the head "Jobs" it details the veteran's rights, gives suggestions about where and how to obtain a job in private industry or in the Federal Civil Service, with points on preference for veterans. "Unemployment Compensation" covers the matter of the various payments under that head. "Education" gives information on everything a veteran may expect. "Loans" gives in detail the amounts and conditions under which loans may be obtained. Other matters covered are life insurance, mustering-out pay, benefits for the disabled, benefits for dependents, legal protection and income tax. An explanation of the GI Bill of Rights is an added useful feature.

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The Allied Forces Headquarters Dramatic Club, with Sgt. Lester Martin Kuehl directing, recently produced Thornton Wilder's "Our Town." The author, now on duty in this theater, acted as advisor for the production. So successful was the nostalgic stage picture of the typical hometown that GIs have asked for more American plays.

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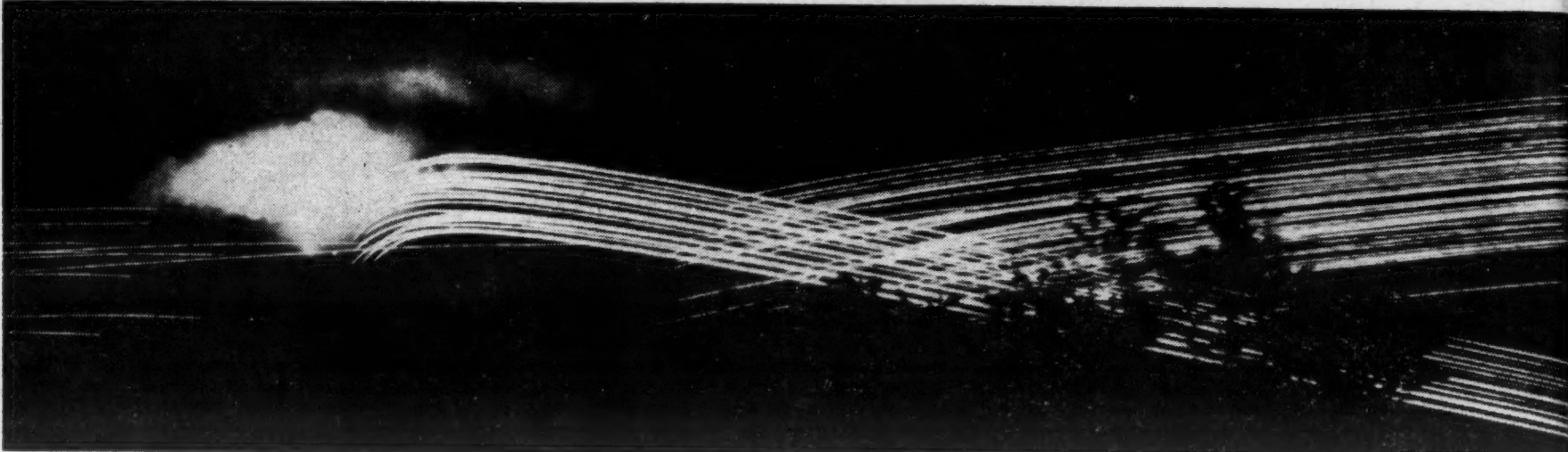
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JAPANESE EFFORTS to continue using the Burma Road as a supply route drew this pattern of tracer fire from American machine gunners of the Mars Task Force. After a surprise jungle march the Americans outflanked the Jap garrison south of Wanting.

Army Quiz

1. Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced the capture of Manila on Feb. 4, with the entry of American troops. Do you remember when Yank troops entered Manila in an earlier war?

2. The Treasury has announced that it would ask Congress to raise the public debt limit to \$300,000,000,000. Is the debt limit now—

- A. \$275,000,000,000?
- B. \$260,000,000,000?
- C. \$140,000,000,000?

3. A number of Japanese-held Pacific islands have been left to "wither" without attempt at conquest by American forces. Do you know which of the following are still in Japanese hands: Cebu, Eniwetop, Kwapalein, Peleliu, Truk, Yap?

4. The Russians last week were fighting in the "Oder Quadrilateral." Do you know what it is?

5. The Canadian 5th army captured Cleve, on the Rhine border of Germany, last week. Do you remember who made the name of the town famous?

6. Dispatches assert that the new German jet planes which made their first attack on U. S. bombers last week dazzled the American gunners by their speed. Would you say their speed was—

- A. 450 miles per hour?
- B. 600 miles?
- C. 900 miles?

7. "Cpl. Casey Jones was buried near Bastogne, Belgium, in a casket sent from United States." Would this statement be—

True? False?

8. The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company recently made an estimate of the battle deaths of all combatants during 1944. Would you think the total they arrived at was—

- A. 850,000?
- B. 1,320,000?
- C. 2,000,000?

9. Dispatches from the Western front last week noted the dissolution of the 509th Paratrooper battalion, the oldest of the U. S. Army. Can you remember where the battalion's first parachute operation was made?

10. Both Army and Navy unite in proclaiming one item "the greatest life-saver of the war." Would you know what that item is?

(See "Quiz Answers," page 19)

Movies in Daylight

CAMP GORDON JOHNSTON, Fla.—One of the Army's newest gadgets—that was improved upon here—is a miniature screen which enables trainees to view a training film in a light, ventilated room or outdoors in daylight.

Wounded Veterans Tell of Nazi Murder of American Prisoners

CAMP SHANKS, N. Y.—Nazis are murdering American prisoners of war, according to Capt. Roderic Morere, New Orleans, who saved his own life by feigning death.

Captain Morere is one of the 533 wounded Americans brought to the station hospital here from an Army transport that docked at the New York Port of Embarkation.

Captain Morere and a runner captured a German lieutenant at an advance position north of Strassbourg. On the way back to his own lines he was shot in the arm by a sniper and taken prisoner.

"A German corporal and a private took us to a place where there were two houses. In the alley between the two houses were a group of Germans. We were taken to the edge of a field and told to keep walking.

Shot in the Back

"I didn't realize the escort had dropped back until I looked around when I heard a rifle fire from the alley. My runner was hit in the

spine and killed. I was hit in the left leg. I fell to the ground.

"A barrage of artillery fire saved my life. I pulled my helmet down tight and hugged the ground until it stopped. Shrapnel fell all around. When it stopped I crawled fifty yards, didn't see any Germans, so I stood up and hobbled a short distance where I was picked up."

Nazis 'A Bad Lot'

Captain Morere heard that shooting prisoners of war was common in some areas. He says the Nazis are "a bad lot."

Other wounded returnees told stories of Nazi treachery, brutality and suffering. Their individual stories were stories of heroism and bravery.

The casualties were divided into four groups—litter cases, ambulatory, operational fatigue and "troop class," those able to wait on themselves.

Pvt. Sammie Easton, a part Cherokee Indian from Modesto, Calif., was another victim of Nazi treachery.

Surrounded by Germans, Sammie had raised his arms and stood up in his foxhole.

"The dirty Heinie shot me point-

blank in the chest, just above the heart. The bullet hit my chestbone, then turned at right angles and came out my right shoulder. I fell flat."

When he came to, two Germans were in front of him. Sammie's buddy killed one and Sammie shot the other as he was aiming at Sammie's buddy.

Loses Eight Teeth

"My buddy comes along and says, 'Are you hurt, Sammie?' And I says I'm not hurt—only I got an awful burn in my chest. So we start back and I get hit twice in the right arm. One of the bullets is in there yet. A little further on I get a bullet in my cheek. That one busts my right jawbone and I lose eight teeth.

"But do you think that's all for one night? Not yet—wait until you hear this. They get me to the evacuation hospital. I'm in a ward with 16 others—right at the front lines.

"A bomb comes through the ceiling, right into the room. One wall goes out. Three get killed in that room—but not Sammie."

'Oldest Wac' is Gripeless

CAMP HOOD, Tex. — "Oldest Wac in the Army" is the claim of T/5 Dorothy L. Busby, 51-year-old grandmother of Claremont, Calif. The blue-eyed, gray-haired granny gets more cookies and cake from her three daughters than any other Wac at Camp Hood. She revels in the actions of other Wacs and EM when they affectionately call her Busby in token of their acceptance of her as a soldier. One thing differentiates Corporal Busby from the crowd—she doesn't gripe. "I just don't have anything to complain about," she said.

Red Fighters Get Their Dailies on Publication Day

WASHINGTON.—Russian newspapers are delivered to Red army men fighting in Germany, Czechoslovakia and Hungary "on the day of publication," an English-language dispatch from Russia, picked up by the Federal Communications Commission, asserts.

The mailman is the "best-liked man" at the firing lines, the dispatch said, noting that thousands of the postmen had been decorated for gallantry.

During the last summer and autumn campaigns of the Red army, the dispatch asserts, 45,000,000 copies of Moscow newspapers were delivered to officers and men of the advancing troops.

The number of letters exchanged between Red army front fighters and their families and friends in the past 12 months are counted by the billion.

House Committee Ok's Bill for Draft of Nurses

WASHINGTON.—A bill to draft unmarried nurses in the age group 20 through 45 was approved by the House Military Affairs Committee this week.

The bill provides for the registration of all graduate women nurses in the age bracket. Married nurses would be exempt from the draft, but could enlist if they desired. Induction of required draft eligibles would be subject to priorities and deferments.

Graduates of the Federally-financed Cadet Corps are placed by the bill in the first inducted category, with deferment of cadet graduates permitted only on the grounds of dependency, family relationship or physical disability. No non-cadet nurse could be drafted until all qualified and acceptable cadet registrants with the same board had been inducted.

Deferment would be subject to the decision and request of the Ad-

ministrator of Veterans' Affairs and to orders of the War Manpower Commission.

The bill makes provisions to safeguard adequate nursing care in Veterans Bureau hospital and in the civilian nursing service.

Postwar Job Guarantee Up to Uncle Sam

WASHINGTON.—To safeguard against a postwar deflationary cycle, E. A. Goldenweiser, for 26 years with the Federal Reserve Board and now its chief economic adviser, suggests in the current issue of Federal Reserve Bulletin a Government guarantee of a job for every person able and willing to work.

Declaring that his suggestion is aimed at 58 million postwar jobs, Mr. Goldenweiser said he would make his job guarantee effective, however, only as a last resort, applicable to those persons still unable to find work after a broad program of public works at standard wages had been put into effect to stabilize the Nation's economy in times of threatened decline of private business.

Goldenweiser said that if the Government undertook such a job guarantee "there would be more feeling of security and less hesitation about continuing normal standards of living."

"Consequently, a deflationary cycle would be less likely to get under way and there would be less occasion than otherwise for the Government to do much spending for the purpose," Goldenweiser said.

Want Mac's Rolls to Roll in Tokyo

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — A Little Rock city auto license has been forwarded to put on the Rolls Royce of General MacArthur—which has been recaptured at Manila. The city, birthplace of the general, said it hoped the general would get to use the plates on the streets of Tokyo before long.



—Signal Corps Photo

NEW YORK M-24 TANK has the "Christie" tracks similar to those on German tanks. It mounts a 75 mm. gun and has been most effective in the ETO.



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U. S. COMBAT ENGINEERS improve a German tank trap, which was intended to be used against them. These Engineers, acting as Infantry, construct and man their own emplacements as a second line of defense in Germany.

Vital War Orders on Radio Delays Liberated Lists

WASHINGTON.—The need for use of the Army's radio facilities between Washington and the Southwest Pacific Theater to send urgent messages bearing directly on current operations of American armed forces has delayed transmission of the large lists of liberated American military personnel and civilian internees in the Philippine Islands, the War Department announced Thursday.

A total of 4200 names are on file in the Philippines. When facilities are not being used for priority operational traffic, they are being used to send the lists. In addition, copies of each list are being carried to Washington by courier to insure against loss of any of the names.

Women Wandered on Battlefield Under Fire, Gave Wine

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—"Crazy things happen on a battlefield," says Pvt. Stanley Stockdale, Carrollton, Ky., member of the famed 101st Airborne Division which helped stop the Nazi offensive at Bastogne last December.

Stockdale recounts how he was huddled in the mud of a foxhole in an area being peppered with every artillery the enemy had. He looked up—saw two Belgian women standing unconcernedly beside his foxhole. They were traversing the battlefield offering wine to the tired and cold soldiers.

"They just stood there while the 88's fell all around them," he said. Stockdale is recovering at the Army General and Convalescent Hospital here.

Port Troops Handle Ammo in Record Time

WITH U. S. SUPPLY FORCES IN FRANCE.—Using a segregation system which enables troops to load freight cars with ammunition in 20 to 30 minutes per car, and pour ammunition from docks to the front lines in a few days, the U. S. Army's 16th Major Port operated by the Transportation Corps is now setting speed records in ammunition handling.

The efficient adaptation of the system at the great French harbor operated by the 16th Port unit has drawn the commendation of Maj. Gen. H. B. Saylor, chief ordnance officer, Communications Zone.

Vehicle 'Hospital' Cures Many Truck Patients Along Ledo Road

ON THE LEDO ROAD.—An oasis of modern, mechanical ingenuity is the vehicle "hospital" on the Ledo Road that is charged with keeping flowing the vital materials of war between India and Burma.

In a setting as wild as the forest primeval is this monument to Yank mechanical know-how, that can clear up to 300 sorely needed vehicles a day and "bed" as many as 1000.

The "hospital" covers an area of five jungle-cleared acres where the buildings are made of jeng leaves

and bamboo but the maintenance equipment is that which one could find in the most up-to-date city repair installation.

And it's really needed, for the bumpy, rutty, twisting, steep-graded, curving Ledo Road takes a frightful toll of the operating efficiency of the trucks that must roll the supplies.

One hundred and ten GIs and 140 Indian laborers and mechanics operate the hospital.

Fort Warren Has all Six - Footers on Regular Five

FT. WARREN, Wyo.—This year's edition of the Ft. Warren basketball team has one big advantage over the 1943-44 Bronco cage squad, and that item is height, an important factor in controlling the backboards. The current crop of cagers is also heavier than the men who carried Ft. Warren's colors last season.

While last season's first team claimed only one man who topped the 6-foot mark (he was Big Bill Westerfeld, 6-foot-6-inch center), this year's five regulars average 6 feet 1½ inches in height, and the entire team boasts an average altitude of 6 feet ¼ inch. A look at the statistics also show that this season's team has an average weight of 189.4 pounds and an age of 23.2 years.

Noted Poet's Son Eases War Strain by Penning Verse

WITH THE U. S. 36TH DIVISION, in Alsace.—Back in action with the hard-bitten 36th Division is Lt. Christopher Kilmer, 27, son of the poet, Joyce Kilmer.

He had been wounded by a shell fragment in the push across the Rapido river a year ago. He spent five months in a hospital and later served on limited duty in Corsica. He asked for and received a transfer back to the same mortar platoon with which he served in Italy.

He has not had a chance to visit, since being overseas, his father's grave in Fer-en-Tardencois.

While in the hospital, he whiled away time by writing a bit of poetry, none of which he expects to be published.

Pickin' Up Papers

The editor of "Tac," representing the AF Tactical Center at Orlando, Fla., hit on a bang-up new feature for his issue of Feb. 10 when he filled his front cover with pictures illustrating his lead editorial, "A GI and His Money Are Soon . . ." Pfc. Nat Fern got some striking pixes, one of a GI with a maid in a beer joint, another of a soldier having an argument with a taxi driver, another in a restaurant, and so on. The editorial, on an inside page, suggested that when GIs run across instances of violations of OPA price ceilings they report to Personal Affairs Branch where "somebody will do something about it."

"Sandstorm" of Frederick Field, Okla., is getting some nice kudos for the way it squelched a rumor, suggested in a broadcast from a radio station in Vernon, Okla., that the Field was to be closed. "Sandstorm" printed a story satirizing the suggestion, and various other rumors which had grown from it, which was picked up by the Frederick, Okla., Leader, and a bit later was used by the radio station which had spread the first report.

Morris Field, N. C., has a new editorial baby in the "Morris Code," which saw the light in its first issue on Feb. 7. One of the four pages jam-filled with local sports, and another crammed with news and personal items from the several squadrons of the Field, should guarantee a strong local welcome. Editor-in-chief Pfc. Archie Sonntag's first editorial, under the head "The Fall of Berlin," optimistically pictures the Russian armies rolling up Unter Linden in the German capital. Perhaps he'll run it again, with a few changes, a few weeks from now.

S/Sgt. Harry H. Klair, who for 14 months has been the guiding hand of the "Glow," at Luna Field, N. M., has, as an item in the sheet's last issue announces, "hung up his green eyeshade and prepared to leave for an important assignment at an undisclosed destination." Sergeant Klair had had wide journalistic experience, since he roamed

over Europe for several years as free lance writer and then was on the New York Tribune staff until called into the Army. His successor on the "Glow" is Pfc. Sam Petrick, who worked closely with Klair.

The "Returnee," a new bi-weekly representing the AG and SF Redistribution Station at Asheville, N. C., prints a double-page spread of pixes as a welcome to men coming to the station which would make any GI en route there curl up in joy. First there's the Asheville Country club, with golf, tennis, swimming, archery. Next a group riding, with a pretty maid guide, through the woods around the station. A shot of the chow offered at the George Vanderbilt hotel, including shrimp, canapes, chicken and cream puffs is enough to make all the 4-Fs jump at a chance to get in the Army. All this is "there, if the returnees want it," the captions assert.

WAC Hospital Units Will Take Training at Fort Oglethorpe

WASHINGTON.—Women's Army Corps units, enlisted for training and assignment to Army general hospitals in this country, will be given both basic military and technical training at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., the War Department announces.

Originally scheduled for consolidation with Fort Des Moines, Ia., on or about April 1, the WAC Training Center at Fort Oglethorpe will now be retained indefinitely and devoted exclusively to the training of WAC Hospital Units. All other activities of the Training Center are being moved this month to Fort Des Moines to make every facility at Oglethorpe available for the hospital program.

Two technical courses are being set up at Fort Oglethorpe, so that trainees may go directly to these specialized classrooms upon completion of basic military training. One is for the training of medical and surgical technicians and the other—a smaller one—is for the training of medical clerks.

Army Announces 2 Training Schools to Open in France

PARIS.—Indicating that it expects the war in Europe to continue for quite some time, the United States Army announced Wednesday the opening of two training schools in Paris—one to train sharpshooters and the other for second lieutenants.

The latter school will have a capacity of 4000 men per month and will be staffed by instructors brought here from Fort Benning, Ga.

The sharpshooter school will train thousands of riflemen and the officers' school is expected to turn out 1000 second lieutenant platoon leaders per month in a streamlined 12-week course, with the first graduation slated for the latter part of May.

Mother Is Presented Silver Star Awarded Maj. Stanley C. Scott

WASHINGTON.—For gallantry in action, Maj. Stanley C. Scott, son of Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Stanley L. Scott, Washington, D. C., has been awarded the Silver Star posthumously, the War Department announces.

Major Scott's mother received the award Saturday from Maj. Gen. James A. Ullo, the Adjutant General.

Major Scott, serving in France as Executive Officer and Adjutant of a Field Artillery Observation Battalion, was killed Aug. 3 by enemy fire, in a forward location near Vire, France.

THE ARMY'S program of hospital reconconditioning turns back each week to active duty 12,000 wounded officers and men.



By SGT. JERRY CHAMBERLAIN, Camp Blanding, Fla.
"He's been there ever since I ate those "C" rations."



—Signal Corps Photo

"THANKS, SERGEANT," says Maj. Gen. Norman D. Cota, Commanding General of the 28th Infantry Division, as he accepts homemade cookies which Sgt. Joseph E. Bunch has just received in the Namsheim area in France from his home in Paris, Tex.

Postwar No Problem to GI; He's Assured a Pearl Harbor Job

CAMP BLANDING, Fla.—Peace will mean back to Pearl Harbor to Pvt. Verco W. Houston, who is already doing his postwar planning. He has written the commandant of the Navy yard at Pearl Harbor asking to have his old job back after the war. And the commandant says he can have it.

Private Houston worked as a ship-fitter at Pearl Harbor shortly after the Japs' sneak attack had severely damaged the Pacific fleet. Then 17, he stayed nearly two years, then got a leave to go home and volunteered for military service.

Timely Slogan Wins Contest and Bond

CAMP GRUBER, Okla.—"A Tip from Me—Elude VD," won the top award and a \$10 war bond for T/5 John T. Venezia, of M Company, in a contest held here for the best slogan for VD prevention.

Venezia's slogan will be carried on 100,000 books of matches which will be placed in the dayrooms and PXs of the post. The words will be framed in curling smoke from a burning match.

Republic Made Record Plane Delivery in 1944

WASHINGTON.—An item in the February 3rd issue of ARMY TIMES reporting a new record in fighter-plane production of Republic Aviation Corporation, inadvertently used the date 1933, rather than 1943, in a comparison of the company's delivery in poundage.

Republic reported delivery to the Air Forces in 1944 of 54,579,000 pounds of airframe weight, as compared with the delivery of 29,200,500 pounds in 1943. This represented 6989 planes accepted and spares equivalent to 1539 planes, a total of 8528 planes for 1944, as against a total of equivalent units of 4635 in 1943.

New Secret Weapon

OLIVER GENERAL HOSPITAL, Ga.—Newest secret weapon—alcohol. A year ago the Pacific stationed private started having earaches. He poured some alcohol into his ear. The pain subsided, but not completely. The ENT clinic found a much-dead Japanese beetle was using the GI's ear for a sarcophagus. Beetle and pain are gone.

Triple-Threat GIs Grabbing Touchdowns at Kraut Goal

ETO HEADQUARTERS, Paris.—The Yank triple-threat—quick-wit, sense of humor and keen-shooting—being credited more and more with being the "stuff on the ball" which turned the German victory tide into ignominious retreat and certain defeat.

Out of ETO Headquarters filter those little anecdotes of how GIs not only win but live to tell about it because they can laugh at a joke in a foxhole, work their nimble nogginns in a pinch, ingeniously ease their difficult lives and kill a Nazi tank when only its "scalp" is visible.

Cpl. Pierce Greenberg, Albany, N. Y., was lost behind the lines for eight days. He had become separated from the 28th Infantry Division on the Western front. His feet got soaked wading icy streams. He remembered reading that socks could be dried by holding them under the armpits. He did. It worked. But in the meantime his shoes had frozen. Nothing daunted, the corporal built fires in them with bits of paper.

He Mows 'Em Down

The 5th Armored Division was driving towards the Roer river. Cpl. Charles A. Angel, Jefferson City, Mo., was a gunner—and what a gunner—in one of the tanks. In four shots and two minutes he knocked out a German tank and two self-propelled anti-tank guns.

Co. H, 334th Regt. 84th Infantry Division was in Hamptenau. The Germans poured a hell of artillery, mortar and light arms fire into the town. A lieutenant was making a dash to the rear for ammo. He called: "Is there anything you need?" Pvt. Bruce R. Morgan, Martinsburg, W. Va., shot back: "Yea, bring us back some V-mail stationery."

Capt. Vaughn Swift, 26th Infantry Division, taught political science in school back in Manzanola, Colo., wears eyeglasses, but he killed 12 Germans with his carbine in one afternoon.

All Americans but Pvt. John L.

GI Savvy and Scrap Help Win the War

CAMP VAN DORN, Miss.—Testimonials to GI ingenuity are the Combined Maintenance Shop facilities which have been whipped together from salvage. Examples:

An unique battery charger has been created out of discarded motors.

A crane has been formed from scrap metal and pipes.

A paint-mixing windmill has been made from tossed-away motor parts.

Moeller, St. Petersburg, Fla., had fled Diekirch, Luxembourg, as the Nazi offense rolled on. The 28th Infantry Division GI also lammed. But he had to cross the twisted, metal frame of a blown bridge—hand-over-hand. "The steel was so hot it nearly burned through my gloves," he recounted.

Maj. Gen. Harry J. Malony rolled up in a jeep. It was at a particular corner of Germany occupied by Pfc. Herbert Austin, Indianapolis, 94th Infantry Division. Austin saluted, received the Distinguished Service Cross for killing three Heinies who had held up his patrol.

Paid to Stick Around

A patrol of the 2nd Infantry Division in Belgium, sneaked out into the snow, captured a seven-man German machinegun crew without firing a shot. Just for the hell of it—they stuck around for the relief crew. Result: Seven more Krauts in the bag—no lead wasted.

In just 12 hours, the 18, M-7, 105 mm. howitzers of the 128th Armored Field Artillery Division, a Missouri National Guard outfit, of the 6th Armored Division, pumped out 3500 rounds to help break up multiple assaults by the Germans.

Grenier Field Cagers Beat Cushing Medics

GRENIER FIELD, N. H.—The Manchester ATC Base Flyers put on the heat from the start, poured in baskets and then breezed through a win from the Medics of Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass., by a 59-46 score.

Cushing came here with one of the best records of any service team in the New England area—but two defeats, one by the crack Notre Dame aggregation.

against the Bastogne bulge.

A Christmas present, a metal-bound Bible came to Pfc. William J. Smith, Staunton, Va., as he fought with the 87th Infantry Division. Smith placed it in his left front shirt pocket as he went into battle next day. Zing—a bullet tore through the front metal cover and pages of the Bible—stopped at the back cover. Smith offered a prayer before advancing.

S/Sgt. Myrl D. Olrogge, Niagara Falls, N. Y., has popularized cherry snow cream with the 82nd Airborne Division in Belgium. One-quart recipe. "Pour the contents of half a pint can of cherry jam (included in the 10-in-1 ration unit) into a canteen cup and mix with a can of evaporated milk. Stir into a gooey syrup. Fold the mixture into a quart of snow and beat until smooth."

Await Developments

GRAND ISLAND FIELD, Neb.—Atchison, Kan., is on the map with the gunnery instructors at this field.

Letters are pouring in from college girls in Atchison who, driven to desperation by the acute male shortage, had chosen the names of some fortunate gunnery instructors to correspond with.

They all had the same salutation: "Dear John or Frank or Joe. I picked your name from the box and now I'm writing you. Perhaps you think this is silly."

But the instructors didn't think it so silly and they hauled down the map and looked up Atchison. There WAS such a town and there WAS a college there.

The gunnery instructors, now in the process of answering the letters, await further developments with keen anticipation.

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LEND-LEASE IN REVERSE was in effect when two smiling French soldiers filled the hands of American soldiers with candy in Rouffach, France, after the closing of the Colmar pocket.

Returnees Advise Buddies As War Focus Shifts to Pacific

WASHINGTON. — Spotlight of the war is shifting to the Pacific. Indications are that the armored juggernauts that are roaring to victory in Europe will lessen somewhat in importance—that in the huge push that is gaining momentum daily in the Pacific—the accent will be on lighter arms.

The enemy will be gripped at closer quarters, simply because he will be seen later. The style of fighting will be different. It will be more of the "Indian-fashion." Amphibious assaults will grow in importance.

All this the Japs in the Pacific know only too well. But legions of new troops will have to swell their ranks. They must learn from those who have preceded them.

From the ranks of those who have fought in the far-reaches of the Pacific and are now in the states for furloughs or convalescence come these tales of what they have endured. Released by the War Department, the interviews focus light on the tasks that lie ahead.

It Was Pitch Dark

It was pitch dark near Arare, in the Wakde-Sarmi area of New Guinea. Doughboys of the 158th Infantry Regiment were dug in—strained their ears and eyes for the Japs they knew were close but couldn't detect.

Then the enemy, 100 strong, came in a suicidal rush—and in traditional Nip fashion—carried dynamite and mines strapped to their belts. They tried to jump in the foxholes, clutch the Yanks until the explosives went off. But Tommy guns, pistols and machineguns mowed them down. Those who weren't killed fled.

On Saipan, eight Jap tanks scur-

ried into attack. But the 37 mm. gun crew of Pfc. John E. Leveridge, Rensselaer, N. Y., was quick on the trigger—knocked out seven. A bazooka took care of the eighth. He served with the 27th Infantry Division.

The weather was almost as formidable an enemy as the Japs on Leyte, for 1st Sgt. Walter Furst, Jr., Pittsburgh, 24th Infantry Division. His job was to keep ammo and food flowing to the front lines. "Day after day we had to travel in mud up to our knees to get the sup-



HARMLESS LANDING was made by this German "Screaming Meenie" in the front yard of a house in Sarreguemines, France. American Artillery officer of an Infantry Division is giving "Meenie" a close inspection.

plies through—and under fire," he said.

"One thing to remember," says T/Sgt. Martin O'Hare, Denver, "is that you can 'freeze' the Nip with the unusual. That's what happened when a superior force of Japs charged us in the dark. A Yank machine-gunner turned his gun on some powder bags in front of his foxhole. They burst into flame, lighting the area. We cleaned up—it was just that easy when we could see our targets."

Down-Wind Hunting

Liquor-loaded Japs who could be smelled long before they could be seen if the wind was in the right direction were reported on Anguar by Pvt. Alymer R. Cook, Dallas, 81st (Wildcat) Infantry Division.

"The average Doughboy has enough confidence in himself, in his training and weapons to keep his head when he gets into trouble," pointed out T/Sgt. Elliott E. Parrish, Detroit. The 32nd Infantry Division GI said the American knows what to do when he loses his officers but the Japs don't.

The work against the Japs requiring the most stamina and nerve is patrolling in the opinion of Pfc. Elbert A. Landers, Bradford, Tenn. He fought with the 32nd Infantry Division through three campaigns. "There is nothing between you and the Japs but some foliage, and nothing between you and death but your ability to see the enemy before he sees you and—shooting straight, first," reminded the private.

"When men can't detect camouflaged Jappies, dogs of the K-3 Corps can," said Pfc. Arthur G. Kniepe, Brooklyn, who fought with the 99th Infantry Division on Leyte. "One dog we had sniffed out a big Nip ambush just in time to prevent our whole platoon from being slaughtered."

No matter how many times a GI is called to land on a hostile shore, amphibious attacks never become corny or "old hat," cracked S/Sgt. Edgar Graham, Bethany, Ky. "You get so you don't worry as much as at first, but you never get so calm that it becomes some more of the same old stuff." He fought with the 24th Infantry Division, took part in three landings.

Canoe Springing Leak, Use Shoe to Bail Out

WITH THE DIXIE DIVISION ON MOROTAI.—The capacious GI is useful in a canoe voyage as well as on a foot march, according to Sgt. Richard J. Page, of West Brookline, N. Y., and T/4 Robert Davis, of Johnstown, Pa.

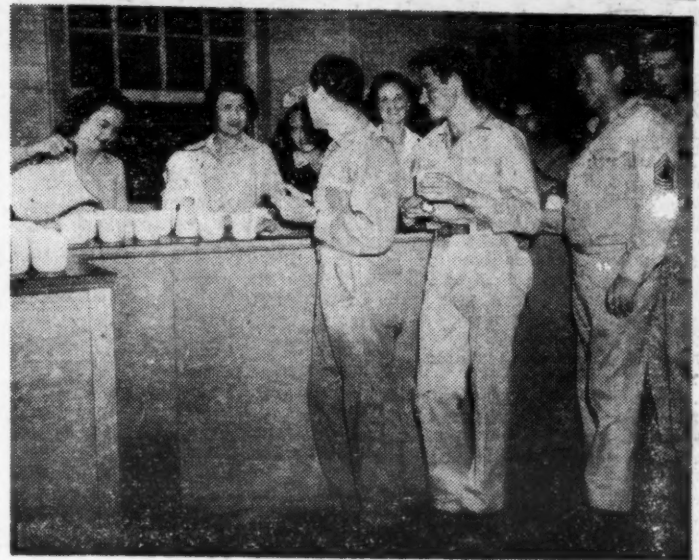
The two members of the 31st Reconnaissance Troop were resting at a native village following a rugged jungle patrol when they decided to try the native out-rigger canoe. When the sergeants had paddled a mile off shore the craft sprung a leak. Davis "double-timed" on the paddle while Page took off his GI brogan and bailed out the water. They were nearly to the shore and in waist-deep water when the craft became inundated.

Krauts Are Persistent and Chase Yanks to Be Taken in as Prisoners

WITH THE U. S. 49TH DIVISION, Besch, Germany.—Persistence finally rewarded these Germans.

Sgt. Glenn Revell, St. Louis, and Cpl. William A. Walker, Savannah, Ga., were trying to escape from a wood during counterattacks. They ran into a party of Germans armed with machineguns. The Heinies, not only did not shoot, but threw down their guns and despite the Yanks' protestations they didn't want to be bothered with prisoners, hung to the heels of the non-coms until the American lines were reached.

CAMP STEWART, Ga.—The Silver Star for gallantry in action was awarded posthumously in Camp Stewart to the widow of S/Sgt. Clarence J. Tyrrell, of Savannah, Ga., who was killed in action in France.



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SANDWICH BAR operated by the American Red Cross supplements Army chow with coffee and doughnuts at the Central Pacific Base Command's Casual Depot on Oahu. The soldiers, en route to the continental U. S. from Pacific areas, find the snacks delightfully cheerful, the American "waitresses" being a particularly welcome feature to the "customers."

Gen. Dean New Head 44th Inf. Division Free With Blood At Fort Belvoir

WITH THE UNITED STATES 7TH ARMY.—Brig. Gen. William F. Dean is the new commanding general of the 44th Infantry Division now in the line in Alsace. He succeeds Maj. Gen. Robert Spragins, who led the division at Cnerbourg.

General Spragins, whose home is at Huntsville, Ala., was evacuated because of ill health. He formerly commanded the 71st Division.

No Coal, USO Cold

FORT DIX, N. J.—Service men and women recently were deprived of their "Home Away from Home" when USOs closed their doors for several days because coal was not available.

Tires Sadly Needed

WASHINGTON.—Nine American tire workers have returned from a three-week visit to the Western Front, where they observed at first hand the need for increased production of military tires and tubes.

FORT BELVOIR, Va.—The Red Cross Mobile Blood Donor unit collected more than 640 pints of blood plasma during a four-day drive at the fort. The drive was dedicated to "The Yanks on Bataan." Donors included many servicemen whose last blood donation was made when they were overseas.

He's 'Bing' at Lee

CAMP LEE, Va.—Cpl. Arthur Bailey, of Ward 12, has made such a hit with his crooning on the weekly shows that he has been designated the "Bing Crosby" of the ASF Regional Hospital.

'QM Cargo Jockeys'

CAMP COOKE, Calif.—"QM Cargo Jockeys" is now standard nomenclature for the 97th QM Co. Nickname was suggested in a contest by Pfc. Sam Prestigiacomo and won him a \$10 war bond and two cartons of cigarettes.

Portable Mimeographing Machine for Field Use

WASHINGTON. — The Quartermaster Corps has developed a new portable mimeographing machine for use in the field.

The machine is hand operated and built into a carrying case made of exterior grade plywood covered with plastic surfacing material and reinforced with steel edges. The lid sections are gasketed with rubber

strips as a protection against moisture. Handles are provided on both sides of the case to permit carrying by two men, and the case is equipped with folding legs, permitting operation of the machine without removal from the case.

Besides the machine and the case, the complete kit includes a supply of spare parts, ink, stencils, paper and other operating equipment.

The complete outfit weighs 26 pounds including the case. It is expected to be in production within two or three months, or as soon as the regular office mimeograph machines now in stock are exhausted. At a later date, the case alone will be made available for machines now in the field.

Camp Has Scout Unit

CAMP GORDON JOHNSTON Fla.—A Boy Scout troop for lads between the age of 12 and 18 has been formed on the post. Fourteen have joined. The troop will study first aid and citizenship and take hikes.

Senate Asks Probe of Jap Atrocities

WASHINGTON. — If legislation drafted by Senator Wilson (D., Ia.), goes through, a sub-committee of the Military Affairs will go to the Pacific Coast to get first-hand accounts from liberated Americans as to Jap atrocities.

Senate action was spurred also by a dispatch from Manila saying Father Superior Francis Cosgrave, of the Redemptionist Order, thrice bayoneted by laughing Jap soldiers, had told of an unprovoked attack by Japanese soldiers in which scores of civilians had died an agonizing death.



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CAPTURED BY TROOPS of the Ninth Infantry Division, First Army, was this dam No. 5 across the Roer River, near Wollseifen, Germany. Photo was taken from atop hill on south side of dam.

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DAV Advises Veterans As to Income Tax Exemptions

CINCINNATI.—With the March 15 income tax filing date deadline drawing closer, the Disabled American Veterans pointed out in the current issue of its official publication, the Semi-Monthly, certain income and allowance to discharged veterans not subject to federal tax.

Vivian D. Corby, national DAV adjutant and Semi-Monthly editor, said the following income need not be reported on income tax forms:

1. Mustering-out pay.
2. Compensation or pension paid to veterans for service-connected disabilities.
3. Pension paid for total and permanent disability that is of non-service connection.
4. Pensions paid to widows or dependents of deceased members of the armed forces.
5. The readjustment allowance

How to Address Letters to PWs Freed on Luzon

WASHINGTON.—Correspondence with military and civilian personnel liberated from Japanese prisoner of war and internment camps on Luzon Island should be addressed as follows, the War Department announces:

Name of Person
(Use serial number for military personnel)
American Red Cross
Civilian War Affairs Section
APO 442, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, Calif.
Mail will be limited to letters and postcards and should be addressed only in the case of recently released personnel. Regular mail service between the United States and Luzon for other civilians will be resumed at a later date to be announced by the Post Office Department. Every effort will be made to send all mail for liberated prisoners by air.

Marshall Honors 2511th SU Wacs

FORT MYER, Va.—The 2511th Service Unit Wac detachment has received one of the first Meritorious Service Awards to be given in the United States. The award was presented personally by Gen. George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff, to Capt. Betty Terrell, CO of the detachment. Col. Oveta Culp Hobby, director of the WAC, congratulated the detachment. Also present at the ceremonies was Maj. Gen. C. F. Thompson, commanding general of the military district of Washington.

Patients at Pyote Have Gone 'Cowboy'

PYOTE ARMY AIR FIELD, Tex.—Some patients at the Pyote Army Air Field hospital are learning to become "cowboys" as a result of a new activity carried out as a part of the convalescent training program.

Convalescent patients, whether they come from Brooklyn or Cheyenne, have an opportunity to "ride the Texas range" here at the Pyote Army Air Field.

Horseback riding has been added to the program through the interest of Lt. Col. Charles TenHouten, station surgeon, who has loaned a number of horses for use of the patients.

Appointed Chief of Staff 8th AF Service Command

HEADQUARTERS 8TH AF, England.—The appointment of Col. Wallace H. Williams, of San Antonio, Tex., as chief of staff of the U. S. 8th Air Force Service Command has been announced by Col. James F. Early, commanding officer of the 8th Service Command. Colonel Williams has been on active duty in the Army Air Forces for 27 years, and for most of his three years in England has served as chief of maintenance of the 8th Service Command and its predecessor, the 8th Strategic Air Depot area.

paid under the provisions of Public Law No. 346.

6. Training pay or living expense allowance, tuition, books and other items furnished to veterans during vocational training period.

7. A state bonus paid by a state to a resident because of service in the armed forces.

738 Negro Wacs Now in England

HEADQUARTERS, UNITED KINGDOM BASE, England.—The arrival in England Feb. 12 of 738 Negro members of the Women's Army Corps, the first such contingent to be assigned to an overseas station, is announced by the War Department. Twenty-three Negro officers accompanied them.

The Wacs, who augment the more than 300,000 male members of their race in the European Theater of Operations, comprise the first United States Army postal unit composed entirely of women to be sent overseas.

Army Ground Forces News

HEADQUARTERS, ARMY GROUND FORCES.—Promoted to the rank of brigadier general is William L. Mitchell, native of Mandeville, La., Ground Deputy Chief of Staff under Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell, Commanding General of Army Ground Forces, with headquarters at the Army War College, Washington, D. C.

A graduate of the United States Military Academy, West Point, N. Y., General Mitchell is a veteran of six years' service with tanks and the Armored Force.

Assigned here for permanent duty are Col. Wyburn D. Brown, FA, Ground G-4 Section; Col. Frank Ward, Infantry, Ground G-3 Section, and Lt. Col. Paul L. Jones, Infantry, Ground Special Information Section.

HEADQUARTERS, CAVALRY SCHOOL.—Col. Walter F. Jennings, Cav., has been assigned as Commanding Officer, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, School Troops.

Maj. William C. Rountree and Maj. Maurice S. Wilkinson, of the staff and faculty, are on liaison duty at Ft. Benning, Ga., for the purpose of coordinating Cavalry reconnaissance doctrine between the Infantry School and the Cavalry School.

HEADQUARTERS, ANTI-AIRCRAFT COMMAND.—John J. McCloy, Assistant Secretary of War, accompanied by Brig. Gen. J. B. Sweet, Col. Harrison A. Gerhardt and Col. R. A. Cutter, visited the Anti-Aircraft Command and Anti-Aircraft installations at Fort Bliss, Tex.

During their stay in El Paso, Tex., the Assistant Secretary of War and his party also visited the wards at William Beaumont General Hospital, where Mr. McCloy talked with wounded veterans.

Col. H. T. Benz, GSC, has been designated as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, for duty with troops.

HEADQUARTERS, ANTI-AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY SCHOOL.—Maj. Gen. G. Ralph Meyer has assumed command of the Anti-Aircraft Command of Army Ground Forces, with headquarters at Fort Bliss, Tex., the largest Anti-Aircraft Artillery Training Center in the world, succeeding Brig. Gen. Frank C. McConnell. General Meyer has been Deputy Commander of the Panama Canal Department of the Army since last September, and prior to that time he served for three years as Commanding General of the Coast Artillery Command of the Panama Canal Department.

HEADQUARTERS, ARMORED CENTER.—Col. Charles S. Johnson was recently assigned as Chief of the Training and Inspection Divi-



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GENERAL STAFF Committee on National Guard and Reserve Policy in session in Washington. Seated, left to right, are Col. Frank H. Holden, Col. Russell Y. Moore, Brig. Gen. Edward A. Evans, Col. James C. Styron and Col. Francis A. Macon, Jr. Standing, left to right, are Col. Ronald M. Shaw, Col. George E. Butler, Lt. Col. Sherwood Dixon and Col. Virgil C. Gordon.

sion of the Organization, Doctrine and Training Section.

HEADQUARTERS, ARMORED SCHOOL.—Organization of Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, School Troops, with seven attached training detachments, was announced recently by Brig. Gen. P. M. Robinett, Armored School Commandant. At the same time the Commandant announced the discontinuance of the Armored School Demonstration Regiment, its personnel and functions being absorbed by new School Troops Units. Brig. Gen. J. E. Harriman, Commanding General of School Troops since early last December, continues as Commanding General under the new setup.

HEADQUARTERS, ARMORED REPLACEMENT TRAINING CENTER.—1st Lt. W. T. Finn has been assigned as Assistant Adjutant of the ARTC, it was announced recently by the office of Brig. Gen. T. J. Camp, Commanding General. Lieutenant Finn has been serving in the capacity of Acting Assistant Adjutant for some time.

Evening classes for officers, enlisted cadre and lance NCOs of the ARTC was inaugurated recently.

HEADQUARTERS, TANK DESTROYER CENTER.—Assistant

Secretary of War John J. McCloy, with two members of his staff, Col. H. A. Gerhardt, Executive Officer, and Col. R. Ami Cutter, accompanied by Brig. Gen. Joseph B. Sweet, G-1 Section, AGF, visited this headquarters recently in connection with Tank Destroyer activities.

Brig. Gen. Ernest J. Dawley, Col. Beverley St. G. Tucker, Lt. Col. Charles J. Cronan, and Maj. Russell S. Van Duzer recently visited Ft. Benning, Ga., in connection with Tank Destroyer activities.

HEADQUARTERS, TANK DESTROYER REPLACEMENT TRAINING CENTER.—Brig. Gen. Alexander O. Gorder, Lt. Col. Howard F. Haberman, and 1st Lt. Richard B. Parker recently visited Anti-Aircraft Replacement Training Center, Ft. Bliss, Tex., for the purpose of observing Anti-Aircraft training methods.

HEADQUARTERS, FIELD ARTILLERY SCHOOL.—The 628th Field Artillery Battalion arrived at Fort Sill, Okla., from Camp Chaffee, Ark., to join the troops of the Field Artillery School. Lt. Col. James B. Anderson, Mesa, Ariz., is Commanding Officer of the battalion which was activated at Camp Chaffee in April, 1944, and was stationed at that post until transferred here.

Medical Administrative Corps Issues Call for More Officers

WASHINGTON.—The increase in the Army's battle casualties has created a critical need for additional officers in the Medical Administrative Corps of the Medical Department, Maj. Gen. George F. Lull, Deputy Surgeon General, announces.

The Army plans to offer the opportunity for commission of 1245 candidates in five classes, the first of which reported yesterday, and the last to report April 27. Additional classes may be added if needs continue. Classes will be at Medical Field Service School at Carlisle Barracks, Pa. This school, like all officer candidate schools in the Army,

conducts a course of 17 weeks.

Enlisted men of the Army who are qualified to become candidates for a commission in the Medical Administrative Corps are urged to make application through their respective commanders. They should familiarize themselves in detail with the requirements in AR 625-5, dated 12 September 1944 and should make application in a letter to their commanders outlining their qualifications.

Generally speaking, all enlisted men in the Medical Department and certain other services, such as Ordnance, Finance and Chemical Warfare Service, and all enlisted men over 35 years of age in combat arms are permitted to apply for admission to the school.

A waiver must be obtained by men over 35 years of age.

Men under 35 in the combat arms are not eligible as candidates unless they fall in some way to qualify for their own officer candidate school. An accepted applicant must have completed basic training in some branch of the service; also he must not be a member of a unit that has been alerted for overseas shipment and he must not be alerted as an individual replacement.

Get V-Bomb Ride

WITH THE U. S. SUPPLY FORCES IN BELGIUM.—Three medics of the 289th Engineer Regiment were blown into an air-raid shelter by an exploding V-bomb—but picked themselves up and gave assistance to 89 others hurt by the blast. The trio of North Carolinians are Cpl. James A. Williams, Henderson; Pfc. Caruso Bell, Charlotte, and Pvt. James H. Patrick, Fayetteville.

Dog Finds Master on Pacific Island in 'Mystery' Trip

PITTSBURG, Calif.—The story of how Joker, a black cocker spaniel, desolate without his master, somehow found his way to Capt. Stanley C. Raye, 6000 miles away on a South Pacific island, is told here by Mrs. Raye.

In his owner's absence, Joker wandered around the house restlessly for 13 days and then disappeared three months ago. Nothing more was heard of him until this week when Mrs. Raye received a letter from her husband telling that the dog was with him on his Pacific station. Captain Raye wrote that he was sitting in his tent on the island when an officer came down the road leading a black cocker on a leash. Raye shouted one word: "Joker," and the dog went into a frenzy of joy.

The officer told Captain Raye that he had found the dog walking through an Army camp sniffing as though he were looking for something.

How the dog covered the land and sea distance to reach his owner is still a mystery.

Wac Rookie Wants Medic Corps Job

FORT DES MOINES, Ia.—"I've seen our wounded, I know where I want to work." With this thought in mind, Pvt. Helene Linder, Portland, Ore., is taking basic at the WAC Training Center here. She joined her husband, a soldier, in Hawaii, on Thanksgiving Day, 1941. A first aid instructor, she got plenty of opportunity to help with the large casualties resulting from the Jap attack on Pearl Harbor. Then she worked on the island for 18 months as an ambulance driver for the Office of Civilian Defense. The hardships were many. Private Linder returned recently to the states when her husband went into the combat zone. Then she decided to join the WAC. She hopes to be assigned to the Medical Corps.

Bill Proposes Probe of Payment to France GIs

WASHINGTON.—A bill introduced in the House this week by Representative Erwin, of South Carolina, proposes an investigation of the methods of payment of American soldiers in France, particularly in regard to the rates of exchange. Congressman Erwin noted that reports complain that under the present system soldiers in France get money with a value of only one-fourth of the amount to which they are entitled.

The bill would direct the House Military Affairs Committee to make a probe of the matter.

Marshall Says Allies Do Fine Job in Italy

HEADQUARTERS 15TH ARMY GROUP, Italy.—Following his attendance at the conference of the "Big Three" at Yalta, Gen. George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff, paid a brief visit here, after which he issued this statement:

"At the time of my last visit to Italy, the troops of the 5th Army were just north of Grossette in the final stages of the great pursuit of Kesselring's forces north of Rome.

"For the past three days, I have visited various portions of the 5th Army front, met the senior commanders and inspected and talked to many of the troops. What I have seen and what I have learned has been very reassuring.

"The difficulties of the mountainous country, with few roads and winter conditions are very real. The strength of the enemy's defensive positions in such country is equally apparent.

"Under these conditions, our U. S. troops and those of our Allies have done a splendid job and made a great contribution to the war. A large German force has been held in Italy and prevented from bolstering the enemy's hard-pressed troops on the Eastern and Western fronts.

"The Infantry has borne the greatest burden of the struggle, but it has been strongly supported by perfect cooperation of air, artillery and other arms and services. The supply of the troops has been made possible by the really magnificent work of the Engineers in the mountains.

"The Strategic Air Force in Italy has struck an unending series of blows against the enemy production centers and communications

despite the usual inclemency of the weather.

"Probably the most impressive phase of the operations in Italy is the degree of cooperation of the forces. The Guard of Honor which met me at Gen. Mark Clark's Headquarters was composed of the military representatives of 12 nationalities from the 5th and 8th Armies, paraded in one body and commanded by one officer. Such a spirit of common purpose, such teamwork, makes certain the destruction of the German military power."

Two All-America Grid Foes United In Fighting Japs

WITH THE 96TH DIVISION IN THE PHILIPPINES.—In one of the strangest coincidences of the war, two members of the 1937 All-America football team, both of the same regiment, and both holding the same jobs as battalion executive officers, were promoted to the rank of major on the same day. The two new majors are George W. Carter, of Memphis, Tenn., and James H. Stell, of Shreveport, La.

When Mississippi State University met Louisiana State University on the gridiron in 1937, the two men opposed each other. Today they are joined together in chasing the Japs off the island of Leyte. Major Stell also holds the somewhat dubious distinction of being mentioned in Robert Ripley's "Believe It or Not" column for actually gaining a pound in weight while playing out a full game of football.

Book Notes

Our Army at War

With an Introduction by Gen. George C. Marshall (Harper and Bros., New York. \$3.00)

This is a collection of 482 official War Department photographs which tell the story of American campaigns in World War II. Pictures are included of the war in the Pacific, the Far East, the Aleutians, North Africa, Sicily and Italy, and the air battle of Europe. General Marshall calls it "a photographic record of the United States Army's first two years at war—a period that has witnessed the growth of our military forces from a small Army to more than seven-and-a-half million men and women."

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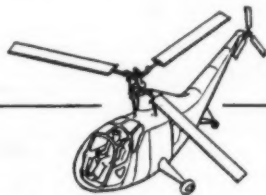
By Waldo G. Bowman, Nathan A. Bowers, Archie N. Carter, Edward J. Cleary and Harold W. Richardson. (McGraw Hill, New York, \$2.75)

This is a story of the engineers and the great battle of construction abroad during the war. It is the story of their greatest weapon, the bulldozer—a weapon which is as romantic as a jeep, a super-bomber or a tank.

The book is actually three dozen short stories, written by war correspondents who served in every theater but the CBI. The heroes of these stories are the Army Engineers, Navy Seabees and civilian contractors and crews who carried out construction jobs around the world.

High in Education

CAMP McQUAIDE, Calif.—Over 10,000 trainees have passed through the academic halls of STC during the 16-month period ending Jan 31, which puts the McQuaide school second only in enrollment to the University of California.



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Tours Help Wounded

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Sightseeing tours for returned combat casualties recuperating at the Army General and Convalescent Hospital at the camp have proved successful entertainment features and morale boosters. The tours cover nearby civilian points of interest as well as camp installations.

Soldier Escapes Death When Bullet Hits Bible

WASHINGTON.—Pvt. John W. Monohon, Detroit, was caught in heavy fire near Aachen. He felt a thump against his chest. A bullet had pierced the cover of a prayer book he carried in his front pocket, then ricocheted off the prayers. Monohon has been returned to the United States for treatment.



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Cadets Find They Can't Win 'Em All

Snead Gets Tie, Then Tops Nelson 1 Stroke

GULFPORT, Miss. — The ball rocked gently as Slammin' Sammy Snead addressed it on the sixteenth hole of the final round of the \$5000 Gulfport Open tournament.

Sammy called the penalty stroke — one that almost cost him the first prize of \$1333.33 in war bonds.

The one penalty stroke put Snead in a tie with Byron Nelson at the end of the regulation tournament and necessitated a playoff round.

Snead won the playoff on the

nineteenth hole by one stroke after both players had turned in par 71s at the end of the regulation round.

As they went into the nineteenth Nelson's tee shot landed in a ditch. He pitched out and found another ditch. He was on the green in four and holed out with a 30-foot putt in five, but Snead was there first with a par four.

A crowd of approximately 1000, mostly servicemen admitted free, saw the two stylists match shot for shot on the playoff round.

The match was a sneak preview of the year's biggest golf classic which will be played late in May in New York. At that time Snead will meet Nelson for the title of nation's top golfer.

'Bull Dog' Reports

FORT LEWIS, Wash. — Pvt. Clyde Turner, of Abilene, Tex., better known to football fans as the former "Bull Dog" Turner, of the Chicago Bears, has reported here to undergo basic military training. Four times selected as "All Pro" center, Turner hopes to resume his football career after the war either as player or coach.



BOXING RING GREATS met recently in France when Cpl. Billy Conn, leading contender for the world's heavyweight title, touring combat fronts, chatted with Marcel Thill, former world's middle-weight champion.

—Signal Corps Photo

After 27 Win String, They Bow to Penn

WASHINGTON. — The percentage boys are I-told-you-soing and basketball experts are calling Penn's win over Army the biggest upset of the season.

The percentage lads claim that it was the old law of averages catching up with the Cadets. A 27-game winning streak—one in 1943, 15 last season and 11 this year—gives another team an edge in the odds.

Basketball experts argue that it was merely the case of keyed-up good team meeting a great team on its off night.

Regardless of who was right the 12,000 fans, who jammed Convention Hall in Philadelphia, got their share of thrills as the Quakers overcame an early lead and then went ahead in the second half for an astounding 61-52 triumph.

Also Blasted Dartmouth It was a glorious finale for the Quakers. Just a week before they had ended Dartmouth's seven-year reign by winning the Eastern Intercollegiate League title.

Army's tumble left Navy, a 20-point winner over Penn, on top. Rensselaer Poly crushed Holy Cross to remain with Navy in the undefeated list.

Notre Dame suffered the same fate as Army with Marquette in the role of a 56-55 conqueror. In the Big Ten neighborhood the victory was rated a bigger upset than Army's tumble. Albright was also cast in the role of a Jack-the-Giant-Killer with a 43-40 win over Mublenberg.

Upsets Are Plentiful

Minor upsets were dime-a-dozen with Great Lakes beating DePaul. Brown whipped the pass-and-shoot team from Rhode Island, B.Y.U. topping Colorado and North Carolina nosing Duke.

With conference play almost over the league leaders follow in order: Eastern—Penn followed by Cornell.

Southern—South Carolina. Southeastern—Florida followed by Kentucky.

Big Six—Kansas. Southwest—Rice, with Arkansas in second place.

Big Seven—Utah, with Colorado still in race.

Big Ten—Iowa, with Illinois still in there pitching.

The Big Six race furnished the extra-curricular entertainment. Kansas took the lead, but the officials took a beating following a ruling in the Kansas-Kansas State game with which the fans disagreed.

Terranova Finds Pep Is Hot Chili

NEW YORK. — Phil Terranova was given a crack at Willie Pep's featherweight title, but at the end of 15 rounds Willie still wore the crown jauntily.

Using his longer reach to good advantage, Pep pumped a steady stream of jabs into the challenger's face. Terranova used a stiff body attack to an advantage, but lacked the boxing ability and the speed to catch up with Pep.

McCoy Enters Five Teams in Sixth Command Tourney

CAMP MCCOY, Wis. — Camp McCoy will enter teams in all five brackets of the 6th Service Command sports tourney to be held in March.

Competitions will be in basketball, bowling, table tennis, boxing and pool.

In the basketball play, Camp McCoy, a member of group 2, will play round-robin eliminations against Billy Mitchell Field, Fort Sheridan, Gardiner General Hospi-

Baseball in '45 Hinges On Terms of Work-or-Jail Bill

WASHINGTON. — While Ford C. Frick and Will Harridge, presidents of the National and American leagues, respectively, came away this week from their conference with War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes quite optimistic as to baseball operations this coming season, definite plans may hinge on how drastic will be terms of the work-or-jail bill finally enacted by Congress.

Making no bones of the fact that the majors will be considerably dependent on 4-Fs and over-age players, Frick, acting as spokesman for the diamond loops, declared baseball can proceed as usual if a new national service law does not impose unsurmountable restrictions against rejectees playing ball instead of engaging in industrial war work.

Teeth in the May-Bailey bill which would have practically spelled ruin to plans for use of 4-Fs have been subjected to dental extractions in the substitute measure to be taken up by the Senate Military Affairs Committee. There are so many

clauses affecting Government employees, labor "musts," farm workers—all vital to war production—that baseball might very well come into the picture from the "moral angle."

Following conference with Byrnes, Frick was officially non-committal on baseball's future. He contented himself with saying:

"We're making every plan to carry on in 1945. We have every intention of doing so. Nothing developed in our talk with Director Byrnes to change our opinion that baseball can operate."

Transportation Is Problem

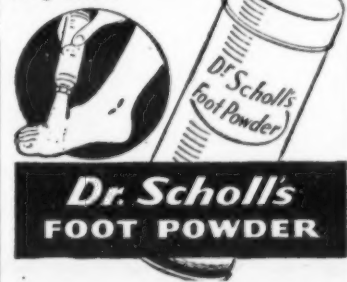
Schedule travel plans are being discussed by Frick and Harridge

Camps are Merged

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SPORTS CHAT

FORT DEVENS, Mass.—The Brown Bombers, a 2d Regiment quintet, has provided basketball fans with sensational play and has rung up a record of 16 straight victories. The nine GLs making up the team seemed to have as many different styles of play when they reported. They forgot all of them under their hard-working coach, S/Sgt. Samuel Harrel. The Bombers piled up the startling total of 743 points while holding the opposition to 473.

LANGLEY FIELD, Va.—S/Sgt. Joe Zema, 52, recently scored a 61 in his physical fitness tests by doing 55 sit-ups, nine chin-ups, and the shuttle run in 52 seconds. Sergeant Zema served in World War I and on the Mexican border before the present show.

CAMP MAXEY, Tex.—Sponsored jointly by Camp and IARTC special service office, all is now ready for a boxing program late this month that will feature a main bout between Cpl. Fritz Zivic, Texas State welterweight champion and former world titleholder, and Kid Astrado, Mexican welter champion. Details are in charge of Cpl. Peter Geraci, IARTC matchmaker.

FORT SNEILING, Minn.—Pvt. Ben Daniels, station hospital, had bowling enthusiasts on the edge of their seats recently. He made 11 straight strikes but on the 12th frame, with a perfect 300 score staring him in the face, he bowled every pin over but the 6, which rocked but decided to stay up, giving Private Daniels 299. Daniels, who was in the bowling business at Moline, Ill., has two perfect games to his credit in his years of tournament bowling.

CAMP PINEDALE, Calif.—Reports from various Camps that toe touching competitions are being en-

couraged with a view to developing a new champ are not worrying Sgt. Louis Goodwin, PT instructor for an aircraft warning battalion here and present holder of the title. Sergeant Goodwin says the strain was such when he established his mark of touching toes 2318 times in 37 minutes at Drew Field, Fla., in January, 1944, that he would not make a further try should his mark be bettered.

GOODFELLOW FIELD, Tex.—Transfer onto Goodfellow Field of four former inter-field boxing champs at SPAAF, Lubbock, opened up a hope for trifield competition. Among the four is Pvt. William Carroll, who is acting as trainer and inspector. Carroll fought in Golden Gloves competitions three years in Detroit as a lightweight. Others transferred were Peter Huntington, middleweight; Jack Dixon, welter, and Leonard Banaszynski, heavy.

FORT RILEY, Kan.—Ping-pong players are readying for the tournament here that will determine single and double champions to represent the Post at the 7th Service Command championship matches at Omaha, Neb., April 27-28. Elimination play is scheduled here for April 5.

Private Dons Gen. Krueger's Uniform; Never Disobeys Orders

WITH THE 96TH DIVISION IN THE PHILIPPINES.—Pfc. George W. Robertson, of Cambridge, N. Y., doesn't have to wonder any more how it would feel to wear the uniform of a three-star general. He knows.

Assigned without warning to the



RATED TOPS in the AAF Physical Rating test is Pfc. Carmen Bova, who has registered two 100 scores, each time doing 34 pull-ups, 114 sit-ups and finished with flying colors by sprinting to 40-second performances in the 300-yard shuttle run. The OA-10A (PBY) airplane mechanic, now at Keesler Field, Miss., credits running for his grand physical condition.

Sarge Flanigan Is Man of Few Words, but Krauts Savvy

GERMANY.—A former Baltimore Oriole hurler, S/Sgt. Raymond A. Flanigan, has only one German phrase in his vocabulary, but it has enabled him to capture dozens of prisoners since Normandy.

"Come out with your hands up or our artillery will come," he says in carefully memorized German tongue. The enemy does come out. One captured German said in English as he filed past Flanigan, "You speak very well German, soldier."

New Swim Record Is Set by Ford

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—Alan Ford, the Balboa Bullet, made his final appearance as a Yale swimmer a complete success when he clipped four-fifths of a second from Johnny Weissmuller's record of 49.8 seconds for 100 yards free style.

Swimming in a 20-yard tank, Ford set the new world record under A. A. U. sanction. It will go in the books as soon as it is accepted. The new record, 49.4, breaks the mark set in 1928.

The Balboa Bullet already holds the international century record for the standard 25-yard pool of 49.7 seconds.

U. S. Chemical Warfare Service has developed a new sky-marker bomb, which trails colored smoke through the air as a guide to following planes.

3rd Service Command Cagers Await Tourney

CAMP LEE, Va.—Camp Lee's brilliant basketball team is one of eight Army squads to earn a place in the Third Service Command court tourney to be staged at Edgewood Arsenal, Md., next Wednesday and Thursday.

The Travellers and Richmond Army Air Base will represent the Western Virginia Section against the cream of Army quintets from posts in Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia. Camp Lee and RAAB finished their Command schedule in a deadlock.

Command athletic officials said the tourney is expected to offer the stiffest sports competition ever conducted among squads in the Tri-State area. The Edgewood Arsenal Field House, site of the tourney, can seat 3,000 spectators. Edgewood Arsenal is approximately 25 miles north of Baltimore.

The Third Service Command basketball circuit is divided into six sections. Among teams expected to compete are: Valley Forge General Hospital, ranked sixth nationally among service clubs by Converse-Dunkel; Indiantown Gap, holder of an impressive record in Keystone State College and service play, and Camp Patrick Henry, winner of 24 games in 28 starts.

Has Unique Record

HARVARD FIELD, Neb.—Boasting a high-scoring outfit, which has averaged over 48 points per game in 26 tilts so far this season, the Harvard Army Air Field basketball team has a unique record. Compiling statistics for the initial 25 contests, of which 17 were victories, it was found that though the Hares have tallied 1255 points, their opponents have managed to crease the cords with 1262 tallies, seven more than the Hares, who have won eight more tilts than they've dropped.

Billy Southworth Believed Lost in Superfort Wreck

NEW YORK.—Strong currents are blocking attempts of grapplers and divers to remove the bodies of the five crewmen believed to have been in the B-29 Superfortress that crashed and burned in Flushing Bay after overshooting a runway in an attempted forced landing at La Guardia field.

Believed lost are Maj. William Brooks Southworth, pilot, son of the manager of the St. Louis Cardinals, holder of the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with three clusters. He was a veteran of 25 combat missions and had been a promising baseball outfielder before his enlistment in 1940.

Also believed killed in the crash are 1st Lt. Carl D. Magee, co-pilot, Las Vegas, Nev.; 1st Lt. Martin Li Cursi, Hulberton, N. Y.; 2nd Lt. Ralph Lewis Stickle, Butler, N. J., and S/Sgt. Joseph Yabroudi, Queens, N. Y.

Five of the 10 aboard were rescued. Only one was in serious condition.

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World Series Pix on Bill at Fort Story Gala Baseball Nite

FORT STORY, Va.—Maj. Alex Harwick and his athletic staff, Col. Dick Bomar and George A. Drabmy, have arranged a bang-up program for the Post Special Service "Gala Baseball Nite" on Monday, March 5.

There will be a showing of the motion picture of the 1944 World's Series between the St. Louis Cardinals and Browns, followed by a baseball quiz, participated in by guest stars, diamond greats such as Chief Bender, mound ace of the old A's, and his battery mate, Ira Thomas; Bud Metheny, Yankees; Ace Parker, All-American footballer at Duke U., and Eddie Murphy, of the White Sox and A's.

Autographed baseballs will go to all participants in the quiz, with addition of cartons of cigarettes for the winners.

Livingston "Profiles" Show Scores Big Hit

CAMP LIVINGSTON, La.—Hailed as the outstanding soldier production in the annals of this Infantry Advanced Replacement Training Center, "Profiles of 1945," a gala musical variety show, rang down its curtain last week following a highly successful run of eight performances here and at surrounding camps.

THE JAPS have used mouth organs to try to deceive American GLs in night fighting in the jungle.

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THREE YANK INFANTRYMEN, whose last glimpse of the United States may have been the Statue of Liberty in New York, look at the bronze monument erected at Colmar, France, to the memory of Auguste Bartholdi, the sculptor, creator of the famous Statue of Liberty. Colmar, birthplace of the artist, was liberated by the Seventh Army.

2000 Miles From Lines, Japs Still Fight on at Guadalcanal

CAMP CROWDER, Mo.—"When 'hopelessly lost' Japs hold out and fight although their front lines have been pushed 2000 miles behind them—the people at home should get a damned good idea of what it takes to knock them out of the war."

This is the conviction of Pfc. Joe Kirschman, Chicago. He has returned here after two years overseas.

He told of a recent letter he received from a buddy on Guadal-

canal, where one of the first American offensives of the Pacific war took place.

But the buddy wrote that Japs are still fighting in the jungles of the bloody isle, still engage American patrols. "And Guadalcanal is 2000 miles from the present Nip front lines," reminded Kirschman.

Kirschman himself has a deep regard for the vastness of the Pacific and the octopus-like grip of the Jap tentacles—and how costly it can be to win just a few inches of the multi-thousand mile domain.

He related that when he was on Guadalcanal, he and some others were ordered to chop down a tree in front of their lines. They did. Down, also, came a stunned Jap who symbolized to Kirschman how the Japs will hold on tenaciously to even hopelessly lost positions. Why the treed Jap didn't sell his life more dearly Kirschman didn't know.

Royce Made Head of Air Personnel

WASHINGTON.—Maj. Gen. Ralph Royce has succeeded Maj. Gen. Hubert R. Harmon as commanding general of the Army Air Forces Personnel Distribution Command, the War Department announces.

General Royce has been commander of the First Tactical Air Forces (provisional), operating in the Vosges Mountains region of France with Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley's 6th Army Group.

Harmon's new assignment was not disclosed.

Goes AWOL From WAC and Weds Three GIs

WASHINGTON.—Pvt. Julia Pearl Davis Steele, 19, of Hopewell, Va., was held under \$2000 bail on a charge of having received allowance checks from two of the three servicemen she was accused of having married. She was arraigned before a United States commissioner.

Private Steele is said to have been AWOL since last September from the WAC.

Col. Frederick Now in Command at Camp Butner

CAMP HUNTER, N. C.—Lt. Col. Horace B. Frederick has assumed the command of the Army Ground and Service Forces Redistribution Station. The new commander replaces Lt. Col. Cleveland B. Coe, who reverts to his former position of Executive Officer of the installation.

Prior to his assignment here Colonel Frederick served as executive officer of Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. An Infantry officer, he has been on active duty with the Army since 1937, when he was called up from Army Reserve.

Wac Is Soldier, U. S. Court Rules

BUFFALO, N. Y.—In denying a defense motion to set aside the conviction of Jake Williams for harboring and concealing Pvt. Irene Alice Way, Federal Judge Harold P. Burke ruled here that a Wac is a soldier.

The defense contended that "a soldier is a fighting man while a Wac is a noncombatant," but Judge Burke upheld the Government's contention that the statute transforming the Wacs (Women's Auxiliary Army Corps) into the Wac (Women's Army Corps) made the organization "a component part of the Army and its members thus become subject to all laws and regulations applicable to enlisted men."

Der Superman a Rabbitbrain; Folds, Whimpers Against Odds

WASHINGTON.—Jerry Superman is doing some high-class backpedaling in Europe—because—good as he is, he still is being outwitted, outgamed, outslugged by GI Joe and Yank officers.

Truth of this is served up in the interviews with soldiers returning for wound-treatment and furloughs who have found that the Squareheads can really dish it out when the odds favor them, but squeak quickly when their own chips are down.

Tabloid condensation of War Department interviews follow:

1st Lt. J. P. Cassidy, Penklyn, Pa., vouchsafed that one tactic the Heinies don't like is marching fire—where Infantrymen protected only by their rapidly firing rifles move at a swift walk in the assault against dug-in enemy positions. Cassidy, of the 4th Armored Division, pointed out that it takes a hell of a lot of guts to advance this way.

Cognizant that men up front were badly in need of ammo and sup-

plies, Pfc. Michael S. Kotiolek, Dupont, Pa., shoveled dirt on his burning 1st Infantry Division ammunition truck for 25 minutes in the face of artillery and mortar shells.

Grid Tactics Pay

The old football teamwork set in a battlefield locale is paying big dividends, said Sgt. George Zebrowski, Chicago. This means every man has to risk his own hide to save that of his buddies, pointed out the 101st Airborne Division soldier.

Pvt. Richard F. Engle, Columbus, Ohio, corroborated the feeling of faith every GI has in the ability of the other guy, added that he experienced a feeling of loneliness for his buddies on arriving in the U. S. A. He fought with the 4th Infantry Division.

Wilts When Chips Down

"We found the German tough and tricky," said S/Sgt. Rene Boulton, Holland, Mich., of the 45th Infantry Division. "But the big dif-

ference between Jerry and the Doughboy is when you get the jump on him, you have him licked. He fights like a fiend when he has the upper hand, but when the odds are against him, chances are, he'll quit."

"The 79th Infantry Division platoon was facing crack German troops, but it never flinched, never lost its nerve, never failed to make a shot count," said T/Sgt. Aloysius J. Wolak, Detroit. "Many of the troops had little battle experience. We were outnumbered and outflanked, but we fought them off—that was the story at Le Hay de Puit."

Pfc. DeWayne E. Hargett, Weiser, Idaho, got the Bronze Star for aiding under fire three 90th Infantry Division men wounded as they tried to cross a bridge.

"Those Doughboys who are walking into the front door of Nazi land are experts—heads and shoulders above the Germans who have made a life job of soldiering," in the opinion of T/Sgt. Gus Nastari, San Francisco, winner of the Silver Star.

Twice in one day a New York City 79th Division Infantryman, who spoke German, talked Nazi machinegun crews into surrendering. The total bag was 12 prisoners. Pfc. Nicholas Manernach was killed later.

Pfc. Paul Manning, Jr., Dallas, of the 85th Infantry Division, was on a detail clearing a path through an enemy minefield. He accidentally fired the igniter while neutralizing an anti-personnel mine. To save his pals, he bent over the mine catching the full force of the explosion with his own body. A Silver Star was awarded posthumously.

B-17 Shot-Away Tail Dives Two Miles—Gunner Survives

McGUIRE GENERAL HOSPITAL, Va.—The story-book yarn of a gunner who plummeted to earth from two miles up, in an eight-foot, shot-away section of a B-17 tail—and lived to tell about it—is one of the war's most baffling happenings.

Sgt. James E. Jent, of Hewins, Kan., was on his sixth mission over Brest, France, last September. A heavy burst of flak whammed through the craft, sliced off the tail—with Jent in it.

Metal and man began a comet dive, that brought severe nosebleeding, but not unconsciousness to Jent. And it provoked a flurry of prayers from him that he would be instantly killed—not smeared all over the place, yet living.

Then the inexplicable happened. The fugitive tail slackened its pace—don't ask the sergeant why—and he was still conscious when the strange "craft" relatively floated to the earth. The tail wasn't even buried.

Germans pulled the "Comet-Man" out of his "ship," sent him to a hospital. He suffered only a cracked hip, the loss of a few teeth, a cut chin and a bit of scraped chin.

He was sent back to the states after the Yanks captured Brest.

Doctors at McGuire hospital say the sergeant soon will be fit as ever.

But Sergeant Jent says: "I've had all the flying I want if I can help it. I don't care if I never get off the ground again. Think I'll grow corn in Kansas after the war."

Final bizarre note of the entire tale was that all members of the bomber who sailed on after the flak dose cut the sergeant off, were killed when the plane tried to land.

Challenge Longevity Record, 11 Total 237 Years in Army

FORT LEWIS, Wash.—Accepting a challenge of longevity in service from a recent dispatch originating at Harvard Field, 11 GI Joes from Headquarters Company, Engineer Section, of this ASFT Center, came up with a total of 237 years in uniform.

The Nebraska AAF stated they had 11 GIs with a total of 178

years' service, but the record from the ETS company makes the former look like beginners as the engineers have 59 years more.

Eight master sergeants, two first sergeants and one staff sergeant make up the engineer list headed by M/Sgt. Robert L. Meader with 28 years' service.

All of the men boast American Defense ribbons on their blouses, and eight of the 11 have overseas service to their credit. Meador collected all his 28 years within the continental limits of the United States.

Next in point of service are two master sergeants and one first sergeant with 24 years each. M/Sgt. Clarence W. Burke served more than two years in Alaska, and participated in the Aleutians campaign. He wears the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon with bronze star. M/Sgt. Earl J. Pearson served two years in Hawaii and was at Schofield Barracks when the Pearl Harbor attack occurred, and took part in the Guadalcanal and Solomon Islands campaigns. 1st Sgt. Olin D. Beville has put in all of his 24 years in the United States.

Falling in behind these old timers is M/Sgt. William J. O'Bryan with 22 years' service. He put in two years at the Canal and wears the Silver Star, two Bronze Stars and the Purple Heart from World War I.

M/Sgts. Newell M. Hunt and Charles T. Moore each have seven hash marks denoting 21 years of service. Hunt served in the U. S. while Moore took part in the East Indies, Papua and New Guinea campaigns. "M/Sgt. August L. Amthor, who has 19 years of service, spent more than 18 months in Canada and wears the American campaign ribbon in addition to the A. D. R.

The "babies" of the 11 are 1st Sgt. Edgar C. Phillips and S/Sgt. Lester D. Ribers, who can boast only six hash marks or 18 years service. Phillips spent two years in Alaska and wears the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon, while Ribers spent his entire enlistment in the U. S.



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Meets Death Saving Gunner, Is Awarded Medal of Honor

WASHINGTON. — An ex-rodeo rough rider and football star went to a Medal of Honor death in his tank destroyer at Villa Crocetta, Italy, while single-handedly paving the way for capture of the heavily fortified bastion that twice had tossed back attacks of his battalion.

The award was bestowed posthumously this week. Follows the War Department report of the deeds of Capt. William W. Galt, Stanford, Mont.

On May 29 the 1st Battalion of the 168th Infantry Regiment, 34th Infantry Division, was ordered to clear the enemy from the villa.

The Germans were strongly entrenched on commanding heights. They were in ideal position to sweep all approaches with withering automatic weapon fire and direct heavy artillery and mortar concentrations. Thick nests of snipers and concealed 77mm and 88mm guns completed the defenses.

Twice the battalion stormed the area. Twice it was driven back with heavy casualties. Captain Galt made a personal reconnaissance of the situation. The present position of the battalion was extremely perilous. But he volunteered to lead the battalion in a third assault.

He ordered forward the only remaining tank destroyer of a platoon

which had figured in the prior attempts. When the crew hesitated, he jumped on the vehicle, ordered it to precede the attack and manned the vehicle machinegun himself. The TD was followed by a company of riflemen.

The tank destroyer wiped out an encountered 77mm gun, approached the Nazi zigzag system of trenches. The captain stood exposed in the turret, firing the .30-caliber ma-

chinegun and tossing grenades with such accuracy that the enemy was disorganized.

Galt outmaneuvered 40 enemy in a trench. They refused to surrender. He killed all of them with bursts of his gun. Then an 88mm shell hit the tank destroyer—fatally wounding all occupants.

The captain was born in Geyser, Mont. He played varsity football at Montana State college.



—Signal Corps Photo

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Soldiers Helped Army to Develop New Field Pack

WASHINGTON.—Development of a new all-purpose field pack which soldiers themselves helped design has been announced by the War Department.

Fifty soldiers of different sizes and weights marched 10 miles a day for seven days carrying various combinations of packs and equipment before the new design was selected.

It is a combination of a combat pack and a cargo pack. The combat pack, containing toilet articles, mess kit and two days' rations, is normally carried into battle. The cargo pack, which carries an extra blanket, tenting equipment and similar articles, is left in a rear area until needed. The cargo pack alone resembles an ordinary canvas week-end bag.

Pickett Formally Opens Its New Convalescent Hospital

CAMP PICKETT, Va.—The first patients have arrived at the new 5000-bed convalescent hospital and formally opened one of the largest institutions of its kind in the country. Col. Frank B. Lammons, commanding officer of Camp Pickett, announced.

A large section of the cantonment area of the camp, formerly used for housing troops in training here, has been turned over to the hospital for the convalescent wounded.

The patients, who have improved sufficiently to be released from an Army general hospital, will remain on an average of five weeks here, under a gradually increased program of physical and educational conditioning designed to speed their return to full strength and full duty. Calisthenics, military training, refresher courses in military specialties, and an extensive recreational program is provided to hasten the recovery of the men.

Lt. Col. John D. Brewster, acting executive officer of the convalescent hospital, is temporarily in com-

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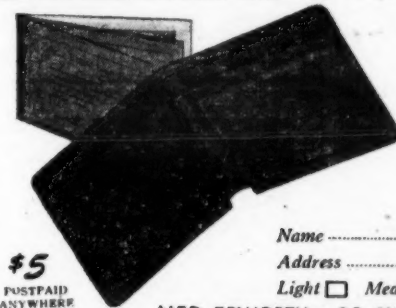
Pilot Bluffs Death, Nazis

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. — Capt. Henry B. Perry outbluffed death and two Jerry pilots and thereby won the Distinguished Flying Cross over Udine, Italy. The Negro, P-51 pilot, 99th Fighter Squadron, 332nd Fighter Group, was returning from a mission, his guns inoperative. He spied two crippled Liberators readying for an attack by two FW-190s. With nothing in his guns but bluff, the captain dived between the Jerries, lining them up in his gun-sights. He couldn't shoot—so he prayed. The Heinies turned tail and fled. He turned up here at the AAF Redistribution Station for re-assignment after a visit home.

Calls on Troops to Be Ever Alert on Panama Canal

HEADQUARTERS, PANAMA CANAL DEPARTMENT.—"As long as the war continues there is a possibility of enemy attack on the Panama Canal," Brig. Gen. Francis P. Hardaway warned as he called upon soldiers in the Panama Coast Artillery Command to maintain a high degree of mental and physical alertness.

In his first message to his new troops since he became commander of Panama's anti-aircraft and harbor defense forces, the general also took occasion to praise the men for the performance of their wartime mission.



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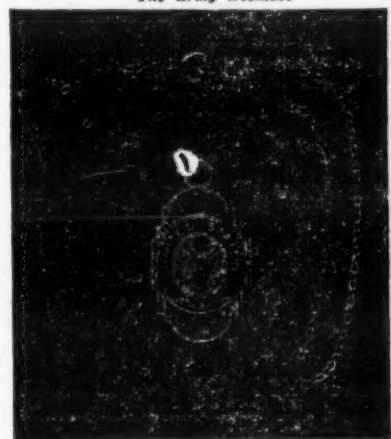
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But I was wrong, alack alas,
She wore a sign that clearly said,
KEEP OFF THE GRASS.

GI Joe says: "She was a second-hand dealer's daughter—and that's why she would not allow much on the old davenport."

Spars' wear blew and tars' wear
blew
And liddle scouts wear cacky,
A whackie wear cacky, too, wouldn't
you?
Gobs like skertz, mareenz are flertz
And liddle dob-boiz wistle
A for-efel wistle, too, wouldn't you?

God made women without a sense
of humor so they could love men
instead of laugh at them all the
time.

Today's daffinition: **ALLOT-
MENT:** An arrangement whereby
the government guarantees that
part of a serviceman's pay is
spent on the women entitled to it.

Be a good soldier—please don't
complain;
To keep you laughing is our sin-
cerest aim.
We'll keep smiling if you will, too,
And between us—we'll see this
darned thing through!

I told my wife I'd shoot any guy
I caught flirting with her. Little
did I know that I'd need a ma-
chine-gun.

We joined the Air Corps to fly
machines,
But all we do is clean latrines.

Women's faults are many,
Men have only two—
Everything they say
And everything they do.

Red Skelton says a man may have
more courage than the average
woman, but he doesn't get half the
chance to show his back-bone.

Early to bed and early to rise
And you'll never show red in the
whites of your eyes.

Praise the Lord—the ammunition
passed me!

The censor is a lovely man;
I know you think so, too;
He sees three meanings in a joke
When there are only two.

There are so many flying heroes
now that when a Jap pilot gets
close to an American pilot he says,
"Don't make an ace of yourself."

Many Camps Again are Planning for Victory Gardens

WASHINGTON.—There'll be no
let-up this year in the Victory
Garden program at Army installa-
tions throughout the country, re-
ports of the War Department show.
At nearly all camps last year,
tons-upon-tons of lettuce, radishes
and other garden produce were
raised by GI Joes, a program that
not only made mess tables abun-
dant in greens, but also saved Uncle
Sam vast sums in foodstuffs.

And with pleas by the President
and the War Food Administrator
making it plain that increased de-
mands have created acute short-
ages and the transportation prob-
lem will be cause for added worry,
personnel at the Camps are cast-
ing their eyes to storage buildings
for the yanking out of hoes and
rakes for the Victory Garden pro-
gram.

Japs Say Rocket Bomb Creates Panic in U. S.

LONDON.—"Panic in the central
and western part of the United
States caused by a novel type of
Japanese weapon described as a
kind of rocket bomb," was broad-
cast by the Tokyo radio. "Japanese
authorities refuse to comment on
this," Tokyo added.

Marshall Finds Huskies in Fifth

WITH THE 5TH ARMY IN
ITALY.—The easy informality of
Gen. George C. Marshall, chief of
staff, won the hearts of doughboys
when he recently decorated a num-
ber of 5th Army soldiers.

He looked at a husky trio upon
whom he had bestowed the Dis-
tinguished Service Cross and said
with a laugh: "I notice one big
difference between you fellows down

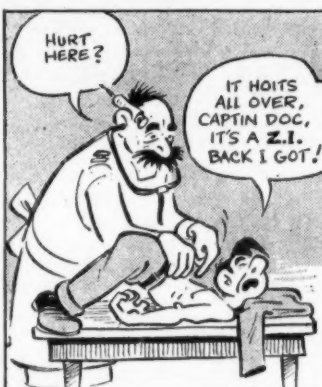
here, who handle 30 or 40 Jerries
apiece, and those I decorated in
France. They were about 5 foot
5 inches and weighed about 120
pounds."

The big boys who got the cross
were Lt. Sidney Goldstein, Glen
Cove, N. Y.; Cpl. Morris P. Nelson,
Belmont, Ia., and Pfc. Joe F. Tins-
ley, Brevard, N. C., all of the 34th
Infantry Division.

Chinese Soldier Recovers Gen. Mac's Table Silver

MANILA.—Pfc. Yen Quong
Greenville, Miss., forced open the
door of a storeroom and there be-
fore him was the table silver of
Gen. Douglas MacArthur. Quong,
of Chinese ancestry, knew the sil-
verware belonged to the general be-
cause of the initials. The Japs had
taken the silver from the general's
home in the Manila Hotel in 1941.

By Sgt. R. Schuller, Camp Pinedale, Calif., Unit of 4th AAF



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Soldier Shows

"Give me a thousand men who are entertained, rather than ten thousand who have had no entertainment."
—Attributed to Gen. John J. Pershing.

In this column the Entertainment Section of the Special Services Division contributes items on Soldier Shows which are in some way interesting or outstanding. Perhaps in these items you will find a suggestion which will be helpful to you in producing your show.

INTERNEE INGENUITY

MANILA.—GI prisoners who think that their entertainment programs are being carried on under "adverse" conditions are given a real object lesson in a recent dispatch from Manila. Among the 3000 internees of the Santo Tomas prison camp was one man who saw no reason why the prisoners shouldn't enjoy their long wait for inevitable liberation as much as possible. He announced auditions for actors, singers, dancers and other entertainers. The response was terrific. In no time at all he had organized a chorus line of thirty American girls, a forty-piece orchestra, and a cast of 250 for his ambitious theatrical schedule. The fruits of his labors were productions of Noel Coward's "Private Lives," Ibsen's "Hedda Gabler," Handel's "Messiah," a musical comedy employing his own original version of the Cinderella story, and countless quiz and variety programs. He somehow managed to borrow a Hammond electrical organ, used inch-deep food tins for footlight reflectors, and his troupe made their own costumes and painted the scenery. The impresario contributed in no small measure to the morale of the 3000 internees by lampooning camp life in his numerous songs and sketches. Only once did he run afoul of Jap censorship. His jokes about camp food resulted in an order from his captors to write a formal apology to the Imperial Japanese Army.

KENTUCKY KONVALESCENCE

FORT THOMAS, Ky.—Convalescent patients and cadre personnel at Fort Thomas, Ky., are busily engaged in readying the first legitimate theater production to be staged since that venerable post was converted into an AAF convalescent hospital. Their joint efforts are to result in eight performances of "The Man Who Came to Dinner," which will open February 25 at the Cox Theater in Cincinnati. Known as the "Fort Thomas Players," the cast is composed of officers and enlisted men, and the female roles will be played by women from the local Schuster-Martin School of Drama and the University of Cincinnati. To be produced as a benefit for the hospital's Special Welfare Fund, the show is receiving enthusiastic support and co-operation from local newspapers and business firms, all of whom are eager to see that the Fort's initial "legit" offering plays to packed houses.

Given Honor Medal

DETROIT.—The Medal of Honor, awarded posthumously to Lt. Thomas W. Wigle, former concert violinist, killed in action in Italy last September, was presented to his widow by Maj. Gen. Russell B. Reynolds, Commanding General of the 6th Service Command.

QUIZ ANSWERS

(See "Army Quiz," page 8)

1. On Aug. 13, 1898, in the Spanish-American war.
2. B.
3. Cebu, Truk, Yap.
4. The heavily-fortified main defense area of Berlin to the East, between the Oder river and the Polish border.
5. Anne of Cleve, one of the wives of Henry VIII, of England.
6. B.
7. False. No caskets are used for burial at the war fronts. The body is wrapped in a sheet or tarpaulin.
8. C.
9. In North Africa.
10. Blood plasma.



FLUFFY FRILLS have been cast off by Marlene Dietrich and her famed shapely legs have been encased in Army slacks for her tours of the battle fronts. Marlene, for years a big star in movies, has become the GI idol through her announcement she's through with pictures and will devote herself exclusively to entertainment of combat troops and wounded and ill in hospitals.

ALL PRESENT OR ACCOUNTED FOR

A hush of expectancy had fallen over the chapel audience at a recent wedding at **FORT WARREN, Wyo.** The bride had just come down the aisle on her father's arm. The organ had completed its pre-ceremony music. The young second-louie groom-to-be ran a finger round his collar nervously. Then a sergeant friend, acting as best man, took one final look around the major characters, marched smartly in front of the lieutenant, saluted, and announced: "Sir, the company is formed."

Talking of platoon sergeant's troubles, think of the poor guy at Headquarters Detachment, **ASFTC, CAMP LEE, Va.**, who has to keep track of two Smiths, one of whom is Pfc. George T., the other Pfc. George T., Jr. George, Jr. says he and his pal differ in only one respect. He is a rebel from Atlanta, Ga., and George T., is a Yank from Pennsylvania, from Pottsville, to be exact. The Smiths gripe that for some reason whenever a detail comes up both of them are usually picked to do it.

Capt. Charles Koster, who piloted a B-24 through 64 missions in the Southwest Pacific and is now at Redistribution Station No. 1 at **ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.**, was inspired to do a story of his exploits for the house organ of the Eastman Kodak Company at Rochester, N. Y., in which plant he worked before the war. Duly the story appeared under this head: "64 Missions, Not a Scratch for KP Man." Now the GIs at his quarters are asserting that the pots and pans must have been smoothed down mighty fine.

The underlying humor in Gen. Joseph Stilwell came out neatly when he was spending a Saturday night recently at the USO in Carmel, Calif. A young trooper from **FORT ORD, Calif.**, approached him very seriously and asked the question: "General Stilwell, sir, us—a bunch of us here are cavalymen, sir and uh—we wanted to ask you, sir, do you use horses in China?" "Uncle Joe" grinned and replied: "Certainly—they're delicious."

Considerable restraint must have been exercised the other night by S/Sgt. Russell "Fifty Missions" Harrington, of **FORT SHERIDAN, Ill.**, who undertook for Look magazine to find out how much cabaretting

could be done in Chicago for ten bucks. With his wife, the sergeant went the rounds of the famed College Inn, Ye Olde Cellar, the Ivanhoe night club, the Pump Room of the Ambassador East hotel and O'Connell's restaurant, and emerged with a nickle to spare. When asked the secret, "Fifty Missions" admitted that he and his wife had held themselves down to one drink per spot.

Death came swiftly recently to Pvt. William Leeds, of **SIoux FALLS FIELD, S. D.**, in an innocent-sounding story in Polar Tech, post newspaper at the Radio School there. Replying to a question, "What was your closest escape from death?" by an inquiring reporter, Leeds told of fooling round with a six-shooter which, as usual, "wasn't loaded." First he clicked the gun at a mirror and then at his head. "On the fourth click," he asserted, "a forgotten bullet exploded and the mirror shattered." An avid reader of the paper protested: "Does Leeds realize," he wrote, "that if his first shot was at the mirror his fourth shot would be at his head. Brother, he's dead." Honorary pallbearers at the funeral were the editorial staff of Polar Tech and Private Leeds himself.

There's a lot of curiosity rampant at the personnel office of **GRAND ISLAND FIELD, Neb.** The other day, an EM, sent to a nearby Separation Center for his discharge from the Army, failed to show up. The records he toted have been delivered, but the man himself seems to have gone AWOL.

"Pop" Frider, sanitary engineer of Section A at **FREDERICK FIELD, Okla.**, who has seen 18 years of service and boasts he's been through four wars, has gotten a bit tired of kicking around Army posts away from home. So when he was home on furlough visiting his wife and kids at St. Louis recently, he went to see his old commanding officer at Jefferson Barracks, Mo. "They're gonna transfer me to Jay-bee," Pop said, when he came back to camp. "Up there near my wife and kids." Last week Pop's transfer came through—in St. Louis Field.

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